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## INTRODUCTION.

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The "HOLSTON ANNUAL" has now reached its fourth year, though started in troublous times, when well-established periodicals were feeling the pressure of financial distress.

The success of the semi-Centennial number in 1875, exceeded that of any previous numbers, or anything of the kind published in the bounds of the Conference.

The "SEMI-CENTENNIAL ROLL" attracted very general notice and approval.

It is republished, with such corrections as the Editor could make, and with the names arranged both in alphabetical and chronological order.

A list of Conference Sessions from 1824 to 1876, with name of President and Secretary of each, will add interest to the present number.

A roll of the preachers now belonging to the Conference, and list of lay delegates for 1876, is also published in convenient form, giving post-offices as far as known.

The proceedings of the Fifty-third Session, with carefully prepared minutes answering the usual questions of the Discipline, constitute a valuable part of the work.

The District Conferences for 1876, and list of Local Preachers in the Conference, is not fully reported, as intended, for want of information which was certainly expected from Secretaries of District Conferences and Presiding Elders.

Sundry interesting items are placed, for convenience, under "*Miscellaneous Items.*"

The reports on Education, Finance, Sunday-schools, Church Publications, &c., exhibit the extent of a traveling preacher's work.

The members of the M. E. Church, South, are earnestly requested to read our record.

## *Sessions of the Holston Annual Conference*

**From 1824 to 1876, Showing Place, Date, President, and Secretary of Each.**

No	Place of the session.	Date of beginning.	President.	Secretary.
1	Knoxville, Tenn.....	Nov. 27, 1824.	Bishop Roberts.....	John Tevis..
2	Jonesboro, Tenn.....	Oct. 20, 1825.	Bps. Roberts and Soule....	T. Stringfield.
3	Abingdon, Virginia.	Nov. 2, 1826.	Bishop Soule.....	
4	Knoxville, Tenn.....	Nov. 1, 1827.	Bishop Roberts.....	E. F. Sevier.
5	Jonesboro, Tenn.....	Nov. 13, 1828.	Bishop Soule.....	E. F. Sevier.
6	Abingdon, Virginia..	Dec. 24, 1829.	Bishop Soule.....	E. F. Sevier.
7	Ebenezer Ch., Tenn..	Nov. 4, 1830.	Bps. McKendree and Soule	E. F. Sevier.
8	Athens, Tenn.....	Nov. 10, 1831	Bishop Hedding.....	E. F. Sevier.
9	Evansham, Va.....	Nov. 15, 1832.	Bishop Emory.....	T. Stringfield.
10	Kingsport, Tenn.....	Oct. 16, 1833.	Bishop Roberts.....	L. S. Marshall.
11	Knoxville, Tenn.....	Oct. 8, 1834..	J. Henniger.....	L. S. Marshall.
12	Abingdon, Va.....	Oct. 7, 1835.	Bishop Andrew.....	L. S. Marshall.
13	Reem's Creek, N. C..	Oct. 2, 1836..	Bishop Andrew.....	L. S. Marshall.
14	Madisonville, Tenn..	Oct. 18, 1837.	Bishop Morris.....	L. S. Marshall.
15	Wytheville, Va.....	Nov. 14, 1838.	Bishop Andrew.....	L. S. Marshall.
16	Greeneville, Tenn..	Oct. 30, 1839.	T. K. Catlett.....	D. R. M'Anally
17	Lafayette, Ga.....	Nov. 11, 1840	Bishop Morris.....	E. F. Sevier.
18	Rogersville, Tenn..	Oct. 6, 1841..	S. Patton.....	E. F. Sevier.
19	Knoxville, Tenn.....	Oct. 5, 1842..	Bishop Waugh.....	E. F. Sevier.
20	Abingdon, Va.....	Oct. 4, 1843..	Bishop Morris.....	E. F. Sevier.
21	Reem's Ceek, N. C..	Oct. 9, 1844..	Bishop James.....	E. F. Sevier.
22	Athens, Tenn.....	Oct. 8, 1845..	Bishop Andrew.....	C. D. Smith.
23	Wytheville, Va.....	Oct. 21, 1846.	Bishop Capers.....	C. D. Smith.
24	Jonesboro, Tenn.....	Oct. 20, 1847..	Bishop Andrew.....	C. D. Smith.
25	Knoxville, Tenn.....	Oct. 11, 1848.	Bishop Paine.....	C. D. Smith.
26	Cleveland, Tenn.....	Oct. 11, 1849.	Bishop Andrew.....	E. F. Sevier.
27	Abingdon, Va.....	Oct. 2, 1850..	Bishop Capers.....	D. R. M'Anally
28	Athens, Tenn.....	Oct. 7, 1851..	Bishop Andrew.....	D. R. M'Anally
29	Asheville, N. C.....	Sept. 29, 1852	Bishop Capers.....	C. D. Smith.
30	Wytheville, Va.....	Oct. 12, 1853.	Bishop Paine.....	W. C. Graves.
31	Cleveland, Tenn.....	Oct. 11, 1854.	Bishop Pierce.....	W. C. Graves.
32	Jonesboro, Tenn.....	Nov. 14, 1855.	Bishop Paine.....	W. C. Graves.
33	Knoxville, Tenn.....	Oct. 22, 1856.	Bishop Andrew.....	W. C. Graves.
34	Marion, Va.....	Oct. 22, 1857..	Bishop Early.....	W. C. Graves.
35	Chattanooga, Tenn..	Oct. 6, 1858..	Bishop Andrew.....	J. N. Huffaker.
36	Abingdon, Va.....	Oct. 26, 1859.	Bishop Early.....	J. N. Huffaker.
37	Asheville, N. C.....	Oct. 17, 1860..	Bishop Paine.....	D. Sullins.
38	Greeneville, Tenn.....	Oct. 9, 1861..	Bishop Andrew.....	J. H. Brunner.
39	Athens, Tenn.....	Oct. 15, 1862.	Bishop Early.....	J. H. Brunner.
40	Wytheville, Va.....	Oct. 7, 1863..	Bishop Early.....	E. E. Wiley.
41	Bristol, Va., & Tenn.	Oct. 19, 1864.	Bishop Early.....	J. W. Dickey.
42	Marion, Va.....	Sept. 14, 1865.	Bishop Early.....	J. W. Dickey.
43	Asheville, N. C.....	Oct. 10, 1866..	Bishop McTyeire.....	J. H. Brunner.
44	Cleveland, Tenn.....	Oct. 23, 1867..	Bishop Wightman.....	J. H. Brunner.
45	Knoxville, Tenn.....	Oct. 2, 1868..	Bishop Wightman.....	J. H. Brunner.
46	Abingdon, Va.....	Sept. 22, 1869.	Bishop Doggett.....	R. N. Price.
47	Wytheville, Va.....	Oct. 5, 1870..	Bishop Kavanaugh.....	R. N. Price.
48	Morristown, Tenn.....	Oct. 18, 1871..	Bishop Pierce.....	R. N. Price.
49	Chattanooga, Tenn..	Oct. 25, 1872.	Bishop Doggett.....	R. N. Price.
50	Marion, Va.....	Oct. 15, 1873.	Bishop Keener.....	R. N. Price.
51	Asheville, N. C.....	Oct. 14, 1874.	Bishop Doggett.....	F. Richardson.
52	Knoxville, Tenn.....	Oct. 20, 1875.	Bishop McTyeire.....	F. Richardson.
53	Bristol Va. & Tenn..	Oct. 18, 1876.	Bishop Wightman.....	F. Richardson.

## Alphabetical and Chronological Roll of the Members

Of the Holston Conference, from 1824 to 1876.

*A List of the Preachers in Full Connection at the Organization of the Holston Conference in 1824.*

Number.	Names.	Received into full connection.	Number.	Names.	Received into full connection.	Number.	Names.	Received into full connection.
1	David Adams.....	1813	10	James Dixon.....	1811	19	W. S. Manson.....	1823
2	John Bowman.....	1813	11	George Ekin.....	1812	20	Absalom Overall.....	1823
3	John Bradfield.....	1823	12	S. B. Harwell.....	1823	21	William Patton.....	1823
4	Thomas J. Brown.....	1812	13	Jacob Hearn.....	1823	22	Thomas Stringfield.....	1823
5	Jesse Cunningham.....	1812	14	George Horne.....	1823	23	J. G. H. Speer.....	1823
6	James Cumming.....	1823	15	John Kelley.....	1823	24	Abraham Still.....	1823
7	David Cumming.....	1823	16	W. P. Kindrick.....	1823	25	John Tevis.....	1823
8	John Craig.....		17	Thomas Madden.....				
9	Josiah B. Daughtry.....		18	Lewis S. Marshall.....				

*A List of the Preachers Received Into the Holston Conference from 1824 to 1876, with date of admission into full connection.*

In many cases those received by transfer from other Conferences and those re-admitted, are left out.

To find the date of admission on trial, add two years to time given in this list.

No	Name.	Date.	No	Name.	Date.
1	George W. Alexander.....	1838	32	B. W. S. Bishop.....	1858
2	James Atkins.....	1841	33	William C. Bowman.....	1860
3	Stephen D. Adams.....	1846	34	John W. Bowman.....	1860
4	John Alley.....	1847	35	James R. Ballew.....	1862
5	Kennerly C. Atkins.....	1869	36	R. G. Blackburn.....	1862
6	Daniel H. Atkins.....	1870	37	Jacob Brillhart (tr.).....	1865
7	Samuel Alexander (tr.).....	1873	38	Joshua S. Brooks.....	1865
8	James Atkins, Jr.....	1874	39	Sterling V. Bates.....	1868
9	William G. Brownlow.....	1828	40	William W. Bays.....	1869
10	John J. Burrum.....	1828	41	William H. Barnes (tr.).....	1869
11	Russell Birdwell.....	1828	42	James K. P. Ball.....	1871
12	John Baringer.....	1829	43	Hezekiah W. Bays.....	1871
13	Asbury Brooks.....	1830	44	William R. Barnett.....	1873
14	Anthony Bewley.....	1831	45	Archibald T. Brooks.....	1873
15	William Bowers.....	1831	46	J. A. Bilderback.....	1874
16	William Burgess.....	1835	47	Erastus H. Bogle.....	1874
17	H. W. Balch.....	1836	48	Elbert L. Barrett.....	1875
18	George W. Baker.....	1837	49	William Cumming.....	1824
19	W. Bruce.....	1837	50	James Y. Crawford.....	1824
20	A. B. Broyles.....	1837	51	Paxton Cumming.....	1826
21	Jackson S. Burnett.....	1844	52	Thomas K. Catlett.....	1827
22	James R. Belamy.....	1845	53	Daniel B. Carter.....	1829
23	William H. Bates.....	1848	54	Edmund S. Childers.....	1829
24	John H. Brunner.....	1849	55	Harvey Cumming.....	1831
25	John D. Baldwin.....	1852	56	Oscar F. Cunningham.....	1836
26	John Boring.....	1853	57	A. Campbell.....	1837
27	Washington Boring.....	1853	58	Coleman Campbell.....	1838
28	William Ballenger.....	1854	59	John M. Crismond.....	1839
29	J. R. Burchfield.....	1854	60	Jesse Childress.....	1840
30	John W. Belt.....	1857	61	Charles Collins.....	1840
31	John W. Bird.....	1857	62	Charles W. Charlton.....	1845

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No	Name.	Date.	No	Name.	Date.
63	S. A. Cooper.....	1845	136	J. H. Green.....	1854
64	W. G. E. Cunyningham.....	1845	137	J. P. Gibson.....	1856
65	Alexander F. Cox.....	1846	138	Andrew J. Greer.....	1858
66	E. W. Chauceaulme.....	1847	139	Thomas F. Glenn.....	1859
67	Larkin W. Crouch.....	1848	140	Samuel D. Gaines.....	1859
68	R. A. Claughton.....	1849	141	George W. K. Green.....	1861
69	O. B. Callahan.....	1854	142	Samuel S. Grant.....	1861
70	R. K. Coen.....	1854	143	George T. Gray.....	1868
71	Elijah Conner.....	1856	144	James D. Harris.....	1825
72	George Creamer.....	1857	145	John Henniger.....	1825
73	Anson W. Cummings.....	1858	146	John S. Henly.....	1826
74	William H. Cooper.....	1859	147	Joseph Haskew.....	1829
75	George W. Callahan.....	1859	148	Madison C. Hawk.....	1834
76	Fleming D. Crumley.....	1862	149	William Hicks.....	1836
77	Charles T. Carroll.....	1867	150	E. K. Hutsell.....	1837
78	Milton L. Clendenen.....	1869	151	Alexander N. Harris.....	1838
79	Daniel H. Carr.....	1869	152	T. K. Harmon.....	1839
80	L. L. H. Carlock.....	1870	153	W. H. Hickey.....	1840
81	William C. Carden.....	1872	154	A. Haren.....	1842
82	David W. Carter.....	1873	155	N. W. Howard.....	1844
83	James I. Cash, Jr.....	1875	156	Andrew C. Hunter.....	1847
84	William M. Crawford.....	1875	157	Rufus M. Hickey.....	1847
85	James C. Derriek.....	1840	158	J. N. S. Huffaker.....	1848
86	William C. Dalley.....	1845	159	John C. Hyden.....	1851
87	W. F. Dowell.....	1848	160	D. P. Hunt.....	1852
88	James W. Dickey.....	1854	161	William H. Howell.....	1857
89	Thomas M. Dula.....	1855	162	Jesse A. Hyden.....	1857
90	W. H. H. Duggan.....	1857	163	Levi K. Haynes.....	1863
91	James A. Davls.....	1857	164	William A. Harris.....	1863
92	Landon C. Delashmit.....	1858	165	Stephen I. Harrison.....	1869
93	William P. Doane.....	1861	166	A. Quinn Harmon.....	1869
94	Alexander Doniphan, (tr.).....	1869	167	E. Embree Hoss.....	1870
95	Timothy P. Darr.....	1871	168	Thomas R. Handy.....	1871
96	B. O. Davis, (tr.).....	1871	169	John R. Hixon.....	1874
97	John P. Dickey.....	1873	170	D. S. Hearon.....	1875
98	William H. Dawn.....	1874	171	Isaac H. Hoskins.....	1876
99	Joseph B. Davis.....	1874	172	Hiram Ingram.....	1833
100	David H. Dickey.....	1876	173	Willis Ingle.....	1846
101	Isaac Easterly.....	1825	174	Lewis Jones.....	1826
102	Christian Easterly.....	1827	175	Hugh Johnson.....	1827
103	Stephen W. Earnest.....	1829	176	Oscar F. Johnson.....	1828
104	William Ekin.....	1830	177	W. Jones.....	1849
105	James E. Edwards.....	1846	178	J. D. F. Jennings.....	1854
106	W. C. Edmondson.....	1851	179	Robert Kirkpatrick.....	1825
107	A. F. English.....	1857	180	Moses E. Kerr.....	1826
108	W. H. Eblin.....	1862	181	William Ketron.....	1827
109	Creed Fulton.....	1825	182	Uriah Keener.....	1827
110	David Fleming.....	1826	183	R. G. Ketron.....	1841
111	Ira Falls.....	1834	184	William M. Kerr.....	1848
112	Defoe F. Fulton.....	1834	185	William H. Kelly.....	1850
113	Johnson Fields.....	1835	186	E. W. King.....	1851
114	Francis M. Fanning.....	1839	187	James S. Kennedy (tr.).....	1851
115	William K. Foster.....	1855	188	William Kinsland.....	1859
116	James T. Freeman.....	1861	189	John H. Keith.....	1873
117	Andrew J. Frazier.....	1862	190	John H. Kennedy.....	1874
118	Francis A. Farley.....	1862	191	Ayres Kincaid.....	1875
119	John L. M. French.....	1864	192	Isaac Lewis.....	1824
120	Jacob T. Frazier.....	1867	193	Charles K. Lewis.....	1834
121	George D. French.....	1871	194	William R. Long.....	1846
122	George A. Frazier.....	1873	195	J. B. Lawson.....	1847
123	Charles B. Fugate.....	1874	196	Carroll Long.....	1847
124	Robertson Gannaway.....	1829	197	James R. Long.....	1853
125	John Grant.....	1829	198	J. B. Little.....	1854
126	William Gilmore.....	1832	199	W. B. Lyda.....	1861
127	William C. Graves.....	1836	200	James N. Lotspeich.....	1876
128	John Gaston.....	1837	201	Branch H. Merrimon.....	1826
129	John D. Gibson.....	1841	202	Goodson McDaniel.....	1826
130	A. M. Goodykountz.....	1841	203	Jacob McDaniel.....	1827
131	A. Gass.....	1845	204	Abraham Murphy.....	1828
132	Crockett Godby.....	1847	205	Oliver C. Miller.....	1829
133	E. E. Gillenwaters.....	1849	206	David R. McAnally.....	1831
134	Reiley A. Giddens.....	1851	207	Samuel A. Miller.....	1838
135	R. H. Guthrie.....	1853	208	M. Martin.....	1839

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No	Name.	Date.	No	Name.	Date.
209	Allen H. Mathes.....	1841	282	Patrick H. Reed.....	1855
210	Thomas K. Munsey.....	1842	283	Frank Richardson.....	1856
211	A. C. Mitchell.....	1842	284	Lawrence M. Renfro.....	1858
212	William Milburn.....	1847	285	Erastus Rowley.....	1860
213	J. W. Miller.....	1847	286	Thomas H. Russell.....	1861
214	John M. McTeer.....	1849	287	J. H. Robeson.....	1874
215	C. Mitchell.....	1853	288	John C. Runyan.....	1873
216	George W. Miles.....	1857	289	Isaac S. Ross.....	1875
217	Gaston M. Massey.....	1857	290	John W. Robertson.....	1875
218	William E. Munsey.....	1857	291	William B. Réese.....	1876
219	John W. Mann.....	1859	292	Joseph P. Reynolds.....	1876
220	William H. Moody.....	1860	293	George C. Rankin.....	1876
221	Milton Maupin.....	1861	294	Josiah Smith.....	1824
222	James Mahoney.....	1861	295	Elbert F. Sevier.....	1825
223	Charles K. Miller.....	1862	296	W. T. Senter.....	1826
224	Jonathan L. Mann.....	1862	297	Jacob R. Straley.....	1828
225	Enoch W. Moore.....	1862	298	Joseph R. Sensibaugh.....	1829
226	William Gaines Miller.....	1863	299	Rufus M. Stevens.....	1831
227	George W. Martin.....	1865	300	Elijah Still.....	1833
228	James M. Massey.....	1868	301	Timothy Sullins.....	1835
229	William D. Mitchell.....	1870	302	C. Stump.....	1836
230	Joseph L. McGhee.....	1871	303	J. L. Sensibaugh.....	1836
231	E. W. Marsh.....	1871	304	Canara D. Smith.....	1839
232	J. M. Marshall.....	1873	305	M. Southard.....	1844
233	W. D. Mountcastle.....	1873	306	A. F. Shannon.....	1846
234	S. T. McPherson.....	1874	307	Jesse G. Swisher.....	1846
235	H. P. Myers, (tr.).....	1875	308	William Sturges.....	1846
236	Jacob Nutty.....	1831	309	Aaron Shell.....	1846
237	William W. Neal.....	1848	310	George K. Snapp.....	1847
238	Benjamin F. Nuckolls.....	1863	311	W. D. Snapp.....	1847
239	Henry C. Neal.....	1864	312	James T. Smith.....	1849
240	John S. W. Neal.....	1868	313	David Sullins.....	1852
241	Francis A. Owen.....	1824	314	Mitchell P. Swaim.....	1855
242	Return J. Only.....	1873	315	W. W. Smith.....	1855
243	Edward T. Peery.....	1824	316	John T. Stansberry.....	1856
244	Samuel Patton.....	1825	317	R. K. Seruggs.....	1857
245	Joseph W. Paddleford.....	1827	318	George Stewart.....	1857
246	Edmund Pearson.....	1827	319	Phillip S. Sutton.....	1857
247	Henry Powell.....	1828	320	John G. Spears.....	1857
248	Elijah Perkins.....	1830	321	Moses H. Spencer.....	1853
249	Arnold Patton.....	1831	322	John R. Stradley.....	1858
250	John Pryor.....	1832	323	Absalom D. Stuart.....	1860
251	Raphael W. Puffy.....	1836	324	James K. Stringfield.....	1860
252	Gabriel F. Page.....	1838	325	Moses Seaton.....	1860
253	J. C. Pendergrast.....	1845	326	Stephen S. Sweet.....	1861
254	Robert W. Pickens.....	1847	327	Hamilton B. Swisher.....	1862
255	Wiley F. Parker.....	1851	328	Walter H. Stevens.....	1863
256	Richard N. Price.....	1852	329	Jacob Smith.....	1863
257	Sewell Phillips.....	1853	330	John Somers.....	1863
258	Thomas J. Pope.....	1856	331	Tobias F. Smith.....	1864
259	George W. Penley.....	1857	332	Tyre T. Salyer.....	1869
260	George M. Proffitt.....	1860	333	David R. Smith.....	1870
261	Jacob R. Payne.....	1863	334	Robert E. Smith.....	1872
262	William W. Pyott.....	1868	335	George W. Simpson.....	1873
263	Robert H. Parker.....	1869	336	E. S. Shelley.....	1873
264	Wiley J. Phillips.....	1872	337	John W. Smith.....	1874
265	John H. Parrott.....	1873	338	Joseph H. Sensibaugh.....	1875
266	William H. Price.....	1874	339	Samuel B. Smitteel.....	1876
267	William P. Queen.....	1859	340	John Trotter.....	1827
268	Josiah Rhoton.....	1824	341	Albion C. Taylor.....	1829
269	Thomas Rice.....	1825	342	William L. Turner.....	1839
270	Moses F. Rainwater.....	1831	343	Hiram Tartar.....	1839
271	Russell B. Rogers.....	1834	344	John W. Thompson.....	1846
272	A. N. Ross.....	1834	345	Grinsfield Taylor.....	1855
273	William H. Rogers.....	1834	346	Josiah H. Torbett.....	1853
274	B. McC. Roberts.....	1835	347	Leander W. Thomson.....	1874
275	W. M. Rush.....	1837	348	J. M. Varnell.....	1851
276	Russell Reneau.....	1839	349	E. Vertegans.....	1865
277	M. C. Robinson.....	1846	350	N. W. Vaughan.....	1871
278	William Robeson.....	1846	351	James Witten.....	1827
279	James A. Reagan.....	1848	352	Thomas Wilkinson.....	1827
280	George W. Renfro.....	1849	353	Henry Williams.....	1827
281	John Reynolds.....	1855	354	William B. Wright.....	1830

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No	Name.	Date.	No	Name.	Date.
355	Ashley Wynn.....	1830	371	Benjamin F. White.....	1854
356	Archibald Woodfin.....	1831	372	J. W. Williamson.....	1855
357	Wiley B. Winton.....	1835	373	Alexander E. Woodward.....	1857
358	John S. Weaver.....	1837	374	Henry P. Vaughn.....	1857
359	L. Williams.....	1838	375	John F. Woodfin.....	1859
360	Benjamin F. Wells.....	1840	376	John D. Wagg.....	1870
361	Thomas Witten.....	1840	377	G. B. Wells.....	1861
362	D. White.....	1841	378	Samuel R. Wheeler.....	1863
363	Ephraim E. Wiley.....	1843	379	Joseph A. Wiggins.....	1866
364	Adonijah Williams.....	1845	380	William H. Weaver.....	1868
365	Rufus M. Whaley.....	1847	381	C. E. Wiggins, (tr).....	1872
366	R. D. Wells.....	1848	382	John M. Wolfe.....	1874
367	Ambrose G. Worley.....	1850	383	B. R. Wilburn.....	1874
368	W. J. Witcher.....	1851	384	James K. Wolfe.....	1875
369	Edwin C. Wexler.....	1852	385	Morton S. Watts.....	1876
370	H. West.....	1854	386	Samuel S. Weatherly.....	1867

*Alphabetical Roll of Clerical Members*

Of Holston Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, 1876.

Those not present during the session of 1876, are denoted by a (\*).

No	Name.	Relation.	Post-office address.
1	John Alley*.....	Supernumerary.....	Walnut Valley, Tennessee.
2	K. C. Atkins.....	Elder.....	Charleston, Tennessee.
3	D. H. Atkins.....	Elder.....	Franklin, North Carolina.
4	James Atkins, Jr.....	Elder.....	Asheville, North Carolina.
5	J. D. Baldwin.....	Elder.....	Sneedville, Tennessee.
6	J. K. P. Ball*.....	Supernumerary.....	Cantrell's X Roads, Tenn.
7	W. H. Barnes.....	Supernumerary.....	Abingdon, Virginia.
8	W. H. Bates.....	Elder.....	Knoxville, Tennessee.
9	W. W. Bays.....	Elder.....	Knoxville, Tennessee.
10	H. W. Bays.....	Elder.....	Dickinsonville, Virginia.
11	W. R. Barnett.....	Elder.....	St. Clair, Tennessee.
12	E. L. Barrett.....	Deacon.....	Clinton, Tennessee.
13	R. T. Barton.....	Deacon.....	Blountville, Tennessee.
14	John W. Bird*.....	Elder.....	Emory, Virginia.
15	B. W. S. Bishop.....	Elder.....	Morristown, Tennessee.
16	John Boring.....	Elder.....	Pearlsburg, Virginia.
17	J. W. Bowman.....	Elder.....	Broad Ford, Smythe co., Va.
18	A. T. Brooks.....	Elder.....	Hiwassee College, Tenn.
19	J. H. Brunner.....	Elder.....	Knoxville, Tennessee.
20	J. S. Burnett.....	Elder.....	Murphy, North Carolina.
21	E. H. Bogle*.....	Deacon.....	Ooltewah, Tennessee.
22	J. A. Bilderback.....	Deacon.....	Union, Sullivan co., Tenn.
23	G. W. Callahan.....	Elder.....	Ducktown, Tennessee.
24	W. C. Carden.....	Elder.....	Decatur, Tennessee.
25	D. H. Carr.....	Elder.....	Morristown, Tennessee.
26	C. T. Carroll.....	Elder.....	Sweetwater, Tennessee.
27	L. L. H. Carlock.....	Elder.....	Abingdon, Virginia.
28	David W. Carter.....	Elder.....	Estellville, Virginia.
29	M. L. Clendenen.....	Elder.....	Tracy City, Tennessee.
30	James I. Cash, Jr.....	Deacon.....	Oak Glen, Lee co., Virginia.
31	William H. Cooper.....	Elder.....	Charleston, Tennessee.
32	L. W. Crouch*.....	Superannuated.....	Needmore, Buchanan c., Va.
33	W. M. Crawford.....	Deacon.....	Fall Branch, Tennessee.
34	F. D. Crumley*.....	Elder.....	Nashville, Tennessee.
35	W. G. E. Cunningham.....	Elder.....	Emory, Virginia.
36	James A. Davis*.....	Elder.....	Abingdon, Virginia.
37	Joseph B. Davis.....	Deacon.....	Knoxville, Tennessee.
38	B. O. Davis.....	Elder.....	Summerfield, Tennessee.
39	T. P. Darr.....	Elder.....	Blountville, Tennessee.
40	L. C. Delashmitt*.....	Elder.....	Harrison, Tennessee.
41	W. H. Dawn.....	Elder.....	Jasper, Tennessee.
42	D. H. Dickey.....	Deacon.....	
43	J. P. Dickey.....	Elder.....	



*Alphabetical Roll of Clerical Members—Continued.*

No	Name.	Relation.	Post-office address.
44	F. A. Farley.....	Elder.....	Weaverville, North Carolina.
45	A. J. Frazier.....	Elder.....	Bristol, Tennessee.
46	J. T. Frazier.....	Elder.....	Bickley's Mills, Russell c. Va.
47	G. A. Frazier.....	Deacon.....	Limestone, Tennessee.
48	J. L. M. French.....	Elder.....	Marion, Virginia.
49	George D. French.....	Elder.....	Athens, Tennessee.
50	S. D. Gaines.....	Elder.....	Atlanta, Ga.
51	R. A. Giddens*.....	Superannuated.....	Kingston, Tennessee.
52	T. F. Glenn.....	Elder.....	Bland C. H., Va.
53	G. W. K. Greene*.....	Elder.....	Brevard, North Carolina.
54	S. S. Grant.....	Elder.....	Jonesboro, Tennessee.
55	T. R. Handy.....	Elder.....	Abingdon, Virginia.
56	Joseph Haskev.....	Superannuated.....	Jeffersonville, Virginia.
57	L. K. Haynes*.....	Elder.....	Nannie, Georgia.
58	R. M. Hickey.....	Supernumerary.....	Abingdon, Virginia.
59	E. E. Hoss.....	Deacon.....	Dandridge, Tenn.
60	I. H. Hoskins.....	Elder.....	Bristol, Tennessee.
61	D. S. Hearon.....	Elder.....	Seddon, Bland co., Virginia.
62	William Hicks*.....	Supernumerary.....	Morristown, Tennessee.
63	J. N. S. Huffaker*.....	Supernumerary.....	Knob P. O., Virginia.
64	W. S. Jordan.....	Deacon.....	Jeffersonville, Virginia.
65	W. H. Kelly.....	Elder.....	Waynesville, North Carolina.
66	W. M. Kerr.....	Elder.....	Weaverville, North Carolina.
67	J. S. Kennedy.....	Elder.....	Sevierville, Tennessee.
68	J. H. Kennedy.....	Elder.....	Cleveland, Tennessee.
69	J. H. Kelth.....	Elder.....	Weaverville, North Carolina.
70	A. Kincaid.....	Deacon.....	Cantrel's X Roads, Tennessee.
71	Carroll Long.....	Elder.....	Richland Valley, N. C.
72	J. R. Long.....	Elder.....	Old Fort, North Carolina.
73	W. B. Lyda.....	Elder.....	Emory, Virginia.
74	J. N. Lotspeich.....	Deacon.....	Elk Creek, Grayson co., Va.
75	James Mahoney.....	Elder.....	Maynardville, Tenn.
76	J. M. Marshall.....	Elder.....	Wytheville, Virginia.
77	J. M. McTeer.....	Elder.....	Riceville, Tennessee.
78	S. T. M. McPherson.....	Elder.....	Emory, Virginia.
79	G. W. Miles.....	Elder.....	Fincaisle, Tennessee.
80	C. K. Miller.....	Elder.....	Lecester, North Carolina.
81	W. D. Mitchell.....	Elder.....	Emory, Virginia.
82	E. W. Moore.....	Elder.....	Madisonville, Tennessee.
83	W. D. Mountcastle.....	Elder.....	Mossy Creek, Tennessee.
84	H. P. Myers*.....	Elder.....	Sulphur Sprs., Rhea co., Tenn
85	W. W. Neal*.....	Superannuated.....	Jackson's Ferry, Virginia.
86	H. C. Neal.....	Elder.....	Strawberry Plains, Tenn.
87	J. S. W. Neel.....	Elder.....	Independence, Virginia.
88	B. F. Nuckolls.....	Elder.....	Chattanooga, Tennessee.
89	R. H. Parker.....	Elder.....	Concord, Knox co., Tenn.
90	J. R. Payne.....	Elder.....	Weaverville, North Carolina.
91	H. W. Pickens.....	Supernumerary.....	Eagle Furnace, Tenn.
92	S. Phillips*.....	Elder.....	Nashville, Tennessee.
93	W. J. Phillips*.....	Elder.....	Coytee, Tennessee.
94	T. J. Pope*.....	Superannuated.....	Knoxville, Tennessee.
95	R. N. Price.....	Elder.....	Wytheville, Virginia.
96	W. H. Price.....	Elder.....	Jasper, Tennessee.
97	J. H. Parrott.....	Elder.....	Loudon, Tennessee.
98	W. W. Pyott.....	Elder.....	Crossville, Tennessee.
99	G. W. Renfro.....	Supernumerary.....	Jefferson, North Carolina.
100	I. S. Ross*.....	Deacon.....	Weaverville, North Carolina.
101	J. H. Robinson.....	Elder.....	Unitia, Loudon co., Tenn.
102	J. W. Robertson.....	Deacon.....	Fincaisle, Tennessee.
103	F. Richardson.....	Elder.....	Maryville, Tennessee.
104	J. C. Runyan.....	Elder.....	Blountville, Tennessee.
105	William Robeson.....	Superannuated.....	Rogersville, Tennessee.
106	W. B. Reese.....	Deacon.....	Burnsville, North Carolina.
107	J. P. Reynolds.....	Deacon.....	Trenton, Georgia.
108	T. T. Salyer.....	Elder.....	Johnson's City, Tennessee.
109	G. W. Simpson.....	Elder.....	Knoxville, Tennessee.
110	Jacob Smith.....	Elder.....	Mouse Creek, Tennessee.
111	James T. Smith*.....	Elder.....	Morristown, Tennessee.
112	D. R. Smith.....	Elder.....	Washington, Tennessee.
113	R. E. Smith.....	Elder.....	Gap Store, Tazewell co., Va.
114	T. F. Smith.....	Elder.....	Chattanooga, Tennessee.
115	J. Wesley Smith.....	Elder.....	Athens, Tennessee.
116	T. Sullins.....	Superannuated.....	



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No	Name.	Relation.	Post-office address.
117	D. Sullins.....	Elder.....	Bristol, Tennessee.
118	P. S. Sutton.....	Elder.....	Princeton, West Virginia.
119	George Stewart.....	Elder.....	Newbern, Virginia.
120	M. P. Swaim.....	Elder.....	Franklin, North Carolina.
121	E. S. Shelley.....	Deacon.....	Robinsville, North Carolina.
122	J. R. Stradley*.....	Supernumerary..	Hiwassee College, Tennessee.
123	J. H. Sensabaugh.....	Deacon.....	Jonesboro, Tennessee.
124	J. O. Shelley.....	Deacon.....	Crossville, Tennessee.
125	G. Taylor.....	Elder.....	Bull's Gap, Tennessee.
126	J. H. Torbitt.....	Elder.....	Jonesville, Tennessee.
127	W. L. Turner*.....	Supernumerary..	
128	L. W. Thompson.....	Elder.....	Jacksonville, Floyd co., Va.
129	E. Vertegans.....	Elder.....	Seddon, Bland co., Va.
130	H. P. Waugh.....	Elder.....	Morristown, Tennessee.
131	J. A. Wiggins.....	Elder.....	Boone, Watauga co., N. C.
132	C. E. Wiggins.....	Elder.....	Lebanon, Virginia.
133	E. E. Wiley.....	Elder.....	Emory, Virginia.
134	W. B. Winton*.....	Superannuated....	White Hare, Cedar co., Mo.
135	S. R. Wheeler.....	Elder.....	Concord, Knox co., Tenn.
136	J. M. Wolfe.....	Elder.....	Kingsport, Tennessee.
137	J. K. Wolfe.....	Elder.....	Central Depot, Virginia.
138	S. S. Weatherly.....	Deacon.....	Hendersonville, North Car.

*A List of Preachers in the Traveling Connection*

Of the Holston Conference who have not been received into Full Connection, not having traveled two years.

No.	Name.	Relation	Post-office address.
1	Thos. W. Alexander.....	1st year..	Franklin, N. C.
2	W. D. Akers.....	2d year..	Marshall, N. C.
3	John C. Bays.....	1st year..	Trenton, Ga.
4	W. B. Baldwin.....	1st year..	
5	R. T. Barton.....	2d year..	Blountville, Tenn.
6	J. V. Brown.....	2d year..	Jamestown, Tenn.
7	H. P. Bugar.....	2d year..	
8	Caroline S. Bird.....	1st year..	Oak Glen, Lee County, Va.
9	J. E. Cox.....	2d year..	Hayesville, Clay County, N. C.
10	David H. Coman.....	1st year..	Spencer, Tenn.
11	John W. Carnes.....	1st year..	Emory, Washington County, Va.
12	Charles F. Clark.....	1st year..	Tazewell, Tenn.
13	J. R. Cunningham.....	2d year..	Wallace's Switch, Wash. co., Va.
14	R. A. Hutsell.....	2d year..	Graveston, Union County, Tenn.
15	J. D. Hickson.....	2d year..	Greeneville, Tenn.
16	W. W. Hicks.....	2d year..	Hillsville, Carroll County, Va.
17	A. E. Householder.....	1st year..	Dandridge, Tenn.
18	C. M. James.....	2d year..	Decatur, Meigs County, Tenn.
19	P. P. Kinser.....	2d year..	Jeffersonville, Tazewell County, Va.
20	J. A. Lyons.....	2d year..	Mossy Creek, Tenn.
21	Henry S. Lee.....	1st year..	Muddy Crk., Loudon County, Tenn.
22	William L. Richardson.....	1st year..	Gladeville, Wise County, Va.
23	Samuel Richardson.....	1st year..	Peeryville, West Virginia.
24	Jacob O. Shelley.....	2d year..	Crossville, Tenn.
25	J. R. Stewart.....	2d year..	Pikeville, Tenn.
26	R. M. Standifer.....	2d year..	Altamont, Grundy County, Tenn.
27	J. T. Stover.....	2d year..	Bakersville, N. C.
28	W. B. Stradley.....	2d year..	Wyttheville, Va.
29	M. D. Thompson.....	2d year..	Tellico Plains, Tenn.
30	John R. Walker.....	1st year..	Rock, Mercer County, W. Va.
31	Joseph F. Wampler.....	1st year..	

## Roll of Lay Members

**Of the 53rd Session of the Holston Conference, M. E. Church, South, with District Represented and Post-offices.**

Name.	District.	Post-office address.
Rev. F. Alexander.....	Wytheville.....	Marion, Virginia.
William B. Aston.....	Abingdon.....	Littonsville, Russell co., Va.
J. L. Buchanan.....	Abingdon.....	Emory, Washington co., Va.
Joseph A. Branner.....	Morristown.....	Mossy Creek, Tennessee.
J. S. T. Bell.....	Asheville.....	
D. A. Carpenter.....	Knoxville.....	Knoxville, Tennessee.
J. M. Carter.....	Knoxville.....	McMillan's Sta., Knox co., T.
A. G. Catron.....	Chattanooga.....	Chattanooga, Tennessee.
Rev. J. I. Cash, Sr.....	Sequatchie.....	Sulphur Sprs., Rhea co., Tenn.
A. Cannon.....	Asheville.....	
J. W. Conley.....	Franklin.....	Quallatown, Jackson co., N.C.
Warren DuFre.....	Abingdon.....	Abingdon, Virginia.
S. R. Deacons.....	Chattanooga.....	Wildwood, Ga.
F. W. Earnest.....	Jonesboro.....	Jonesboro, Tennessee.
P. Gallagher.....	Wytheville.....	Wytheville, Va.
A. J. Grayson.....	Jeffersonville.....	Bland C. H., Va.
J. W. Gaut.....	Knoxville.....	Knoxville, Tenn.
J. W. Goodner.....	Chattanooga.....	Cleveland, Tenn.
W. J. Jordan.....	Wytheville.....	Newbern, Pulaski co., Va.
James P. Kelly.....	Jeffersonville.....	Tazewell C. H., Va.
A. J. Lucas.....	Jonesboro.....	Limestone, Wash'n co., Tenn.
W. B. D. Lane.....	Morristown.....	Jonesville, Lee co., Va.
B. B. Lenoir.....	Knoxville.....	Lenoirs, Loudon co., Tenn.
Rev. T. L. Miller.....	Athens.....	Hiwassee College, Tenn.
E. C. Montgomery.....	Sequatchie.....	King's Creek, Roane co., Tenn.
Rev. W. E. Neal.....	Jeffersonville.....	Cove Creek, Tazewell co., Va.
S. C. Norwood.....	Sequatchie.....	Pikeville, Tenn.
B. F. Petrie.....	Jeffersonville.....	
W. C. Peak.....	Athens.....	Pin Hook Landing, Tenn.
R. S. Pass.....	Franklin.....	Hayesville, N. C.
J. B. Richmond.....	Abingdon.....	Estillville, Scott co., Va.
H. C. T. Richmond.....	Morristown.....	Rose Hill, Lee co., Va.
E. C. Reeves.....	Jonesboro.....	Johnson City, Wash. co., Tenn.
Rev. J. A. Reagan.....	Asheville.....	Weaverville, Bun'be co, N. C.
Rev. T. P. Summers.....	Morristown.....	Morristown, Tenn.
Abraham Slack.....	Athens.....	Cog Hill, McMinn co., Tenn.
W. S. Saul.....	Athens.....	Sweetwater, Tenn.
W. W. Stringfield.....	Franklin.....	Waynesville, N. C.
Rev. C. D. Smith.....	Franklin.....	Franklin, N. C.
A. Umbarger.....	Wytheville.....	Wytheville, Va.
James B. White.....	Jonesboro.....	Haws' X Roads, Tenn.
Z. T. Watkins.....	Chattanooga.....	Ooltewah, James co., Tenn.
John A. Winton.....	Sequatchie.....	King's Creek, Roane co., Tenn.
H. H. Webb.....	Asheville.....	Asheville, N. C.

# FIFTY-THIRD SESSION.

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## JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

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### FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, Oct. 18, 1876.

**Fifty-Third Session.**—The Fifty-Third Session of the HOLSTON ANNUAL CONFERENCE was held at Bristol, Tennessee, beginning October 18, 1876.

**Bishop.**—Conference met in the Methodist Church at nine o'clock A. M., Bishop W. M. Wightman in the chair.

Religious services were conducted by the Bishop.

**Roll—1876.**—The Secretary of the last session of the Conference called the roll of clerical members. (See Roll for 1876.)

**Roll of Lay Members.**—The roll of lay delegates was then made out. (See Roll for 1876.)

**Secretaries.**—F. Richardson was elected Secretary, J. R. Payne Assistant Secretary, and D. W. Carter Statistical Secretary.

**Committee on Public Worship.**—B. W. S. Bishop, J. T. Frazier, D. Sullins, R. E. Smith and W. B. Aston were appointed a committee on public worship.

**Nominating Committee.**—The Presiding Elders were appointed a committee to nominate standing committees.

**Sessions.**—The Conference fixed the hour for meeting at nine o'clock A. M., and that for adjourning at one o'clock P. M.

A bar was fixed from the third window in the church forward.

**Committees Appointed.**—The committee to nominate standing committees reported as follows, which was adopted:

*Committee on Education.*—Wm. M. Kerr, Wm. H. Price, E. C. Montgomery, James A. Reagan, Z. T. Watkins, T. F. Glenn, and G. D. French.

*Committee on Sunday Schools.*—Warren DuPre, James P. Kelly, and H. H. Webb.

*Committee on Books and Periodicals.*—J. H. Keith, L. L. H. Carlock, and T. P. Summers.

*Committee on Memoirs.*—J. S. Kennedy, B. W. S. Bishop, and C. T. Carroll.

*Committee on Temperance.*—James Atkins, Jr., J. M. Carter, and A. J. Lucas.

*Committee on Church Property.*—E. C. Reeves, J. W. Smith, J. B. Richmond, W. J. Jordan, and A. J. Grayson.

*Committee on Bible Cause.*—J. L. Buchanan, J. H. Torbitt, and D. A. Carpenter.

The Nominating Committee nominated E. E. Wiley, R. N. Price and Carroll Long for a Committee on Fraternity, but a motion to confirm the nomination, after some discussion, was, on motion of B. W. S. Bishop, laid on the table.

**Preaching.**—The Committee on Public Worship reported as follows:

Methodist Church, three o'clock P. M., H. W. Bays; Methodist Church, seven o'clock P. M., J. H. Brunner, Conference Sermon.

**Examining Committees Filled.**—T. F. Smith was excused from serving on Examining Committee of the second year, and W. H. Kelly was appointed in his place. P. S. Sutton was appointed in place of W. Hicks, who is absent, on the same committee. W. G. E. Cunningham, Chairman of Examining Committee of fourth year, was released, and J. H. Torbitt was appointed in his place. T. F. Glenn was appointed on the same committee in place of J. W. Dickey, deceased.

**Board of Missions.**—L. L. H. Carlock was appointed a member of the Conference Board of Missions in place of J. W. Dickey, deceased.

**Communications.**—A communication from Dr. A. H. Redford, book agent, was read and referred to the Committee on Books and Periodicals; and one from Drs. McFerrin and Kelley, Missionary Secretaries, was read and referred to the Board of Missions.

The Annual Announcement of the Vanderbilt University was presented, and referred to the Committee on Education.

A communication from J. H. Brunner, President of Hiwassee College, was read and referred to the same committee.

**Examination of Character.**—The Conference resolved to hold the examination of characters with open doors.

A motion to have read, only that part of the preachers' report, relating to collections taken by the preachers, was carried.

**QUESTION XX.** "*Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?*"

**ANSWER.** The characters of G. W. Miles, B. F. Nuchols, J. Mahoney, T. F. Smith, H. C. Neal, W. H. Kelly, P. S. Sutton, B. W. S. Bishop, C. E. Wiggins, H. W. Bays, F. A. Farley, E. E. Wiley, J. A. Davis, D. Sullins, H. P. Myers, W. G. E. Cunningham, W. P. Doane, George Stewart, D. W. Carter, G. W. Callahan, J. L. M. French, L. C. Delashmit, C. Long, J. S. Burnett, W. W. Bays, J. C. Runyan, J. R. Payne, F. Richardson, C. K. Miller, W. C. Carden, T. T. Salyer, B. O. Davis, Jacob Smith, W. H. Bates, G. Taylor, J. S. W. Neal, D. H. Carr, T.

F. Glenn, W. W. Pyott, W. D. Mountcastle, J. T. Smith, J. H. Brunner, J. M. McTeer, and D. H. Atkins, were passed.

**W. H. Barnes.**—W. H. Barnes had not gone to his work, but in view of surrounding circumstances he was excused, and his character passed.

**J. W. Dickey.**—When the name of J. W. Dickey was called, his death was mentioned, and the case referred to the Committee on Memoirs.

**R. M. Hickey.**—R. M. Hickey's character passed, and he was continued in a supernumerary relation.

**W. Hicks.**—W. Hicks' character passed, whereupon the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, The Rev. Wm. Hicks has been a member of the Holston Conference Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for over forty years; and

WHEREAS, He has served the Church with great fidelity in all the interests committed to his charge; and

WHEREAS, The infirmities of age are gradually developing in his physical system, so that he is now unable to take his place in the effective ranks as in other years; therefore,

*Resolved*, 1. That the Church, in the bounds of the Holston Conference, should hold in grateful remembrance the long services, the pure character, and the extensive influence which he gives her as an heritage.

*Resolved*, 2. That in view of the high esteem in which he is held by his brethren of the Conference, he is hereby continued in a supernumerary relation.

E. E. WILEY.

J. M. McTEER.

**J. Atkins Transferred.**—The character of Jas. Atkins, Sr., passed, and the Bishop announced his transfer to the Little Rock Conference.

Notices were given, and Conference adjourned with the benediction

*[Note from Rev. William Hicks.]*

BRO. PAYNE: Please allow me space in the ANNUAL to make my acknowledgements, and tender my sincere thanks to the Holston Conference, and especially to Rev. John M. McTeer and Rev. E. E. Wiley, D. D., for the very flattering resolutions adopted upon the passage of my character at the late session of said Conference. It is refreshing and encouraging, at life's decline, to receive the spontaneous and hearty indorsement of those with whom I have been associated from my youth up, and who, above all others, have known my manner of life for the last forty-two years, even up to the very day the said resolutions were offered and adopted. God bless my own Holston!

## SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

THURSDAY MORNING, Oct. 19, 1876.

Conference met at nine o'clock A. M., Bishop Wightman in the chair. Religious services by C. Long.

The roll was called, and several members not present at roll-call yesterday, answered to their names.

On motion the calling of the roll was dispensed with for the remainder of the session.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

**Introductions.**—Dr. T. O. Summers, Rev. J. J. Lafferty, of the *Richmond Christian Advocate*, Rev. Mr. Lloyd and Dr. Kincannon, of the Baptist Church, were introduced to the Conference.

**Examination of Character.**—QUESTION XX. "*Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?*"

ANSWER. The characters of S. R. Wheeler, T. R. Handy, T. P. Darr, L. L. H. Carlock, J. P. Dickey, S. Phillips, A. J. Frazier, E. E. Hoss, W. D. Mitchell, S. S. Grant, J. A. Wiggins, J. S. Kennedy, J. W. Bowman, L. K. Haynes, W. H. Weaver, J. R. Long, J. Boring, C. T. Carroll, J. N. S. Huffaker, D. R. Smith, W. H. Cooper, J. H. Torbitt, J. D. Baldwin, H. P. Waugh, R. N. Price, S. D. Gaines, E. Vertegans, E. W. Moore, M. L. Clendenen, G. D. French, K. C. Atkins, S. V. Bates, J. M. Marshall, W. M. Kerr, and W. B. Lyda were passed.

**Supernumeraries.**—The characters of J. Alley, J. K. P. Ball, W. L. Turner, J. R. Stradley, and R. W. Pickens were passed, and they were continued in a supernumerary relation.

The characters of G. W. Renfro and W. J. Phillips were passed, and they were placed on the supernumerary list.

**Locations.**—L. M. Renfro's character passed, and he was granted a location at his own request.

H. M. Bennett's character passed, and he was granted a location at the request of his Presiding Elder.

**G. T. Gray Transferred.**—George T. Gray's character passed, and the Bishop announced his transfer to the Western Conference.

**G. M. Massey.**—The case of G. M. Massey was referred to the Presiding Elder of the Asheville District.

**Petition to Congress.**—A petition to the Congress of the United States for the payment of damages done the Publishing House at Nashville, by Federal soldiers during the war, was adopted, and ordered to be signed by the President and Secretary of the Conference.

Dr. Summers made some very felicitous remarks concerning our publishing interests, and Vanderbilt University.

**Deacons of One Year.**—QUESTION VII. "*Who are Deacons of one year?*"

ANSWER. The characters of J. K. Wolfe, E. L. Barrett, J. H. Sensibaugh, W. M. Crawford, J. I. Cash, Jr., Ayres Kincaid, J. W. Robertson, J. H. Robeson, J. H. Parrott, and J. H. Kennedy, were passed, and they were advanced to the class of the fourth year.

**I. S. Ross.**—I. S. Ross's character passed, but not having been before the Examining Committee, he was retained in the class of the third year.

Dr. Cunningham made some remarks with reference to Sunday-school work and literature.

**Communications.**—E. E. Hoss presented a financial state-

ment with reference to Martha Washington College; Dr. Sullins the report of the Board of Trustees of Sullins College, and A. J. Frazier a communication from the Board of Trustees of Weaverville College; all of which papers were referred to the Committee on Education.

Notices were given and Conference adjourned with the benediction.

### THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

FRIDAY MORNING, Oct. 20, 1876.

Conference met at nine o'clock A. M., Bishop Wightman in the chair. Religious services by J. H. Brunner.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

**C. Long's Report.**—C. Long, from the committee appointed at the last session to look into the condition of New Market Seminary, submitted a report, which was referred to the Committee on Education.

**Lay Alternates.**—H. C. Bruce, alternate, took the place of J. L. Buchanan, lay delegate of Abingdon District; J. B. Carnes, the place of B. B. Lenoir, of the Knoxville District, and J. T. Trollinger the place of W. J. Jordan, of the Wytheville District.

**Elders Elected.**—QUESTION XII. "*What traveling preachers are elected Elders?*"

ANSWER. The characters of John W. Smith, Leander W. Thompson, John M. Wolfe, William H. Price, William H. Dawn, James Atkins, Jr., Stevens T. M. McPherson, Joseph A. Bilderback, Daniel S. Hearon, George W. Simpson, William R. Barnett, and Robert E. Smith were passed, and they were elected to Elder's orders.

The characters of Erastus H. Bogle and Archibald T. Brooks were passed, but not having been before the committee, they were continued in the fourth year.

**J. H. Keith.**—The character of J. H. Keith, who is an Elder, passed.

**J. B. Davis.**—Joseph B. Davis' character passed, and he was continued in the class of the fourth year, and on the supernumerary list.

**G. W. K. Green.**—The character of G. W. K. Green passed, and he was continued in the class of the fourth year, and given a supernumerary relation.

**E. S. Shelley.**—E. S. Shelley's name was called, and pending some discussion as to his relation, the case was laid over for the present.

**C. B. Fugate.**—C. B. Fugate passed and was granted a location.

**Rev. J. J. Lafferty.**—Rev. J. J. Lafferty made a good speech for the Richmond *Christian Advocate*.



**The Commission and Dr. Myers.**—The following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, In the Providence of God; the Commission appointed for the settlement of all existing differences between the two Methodisms, has reached and published a conclusion; therefore,

*Resolved*, That we do heartily concur in the conclusion reached, and that we will do all in our power to carry out the spirit and purpose of the same.

*Resolved, further*, That we do tender to the family of Dr. E. H. Myers, whose recent death has saddened the whole of our beloved Church, our sincere sympathy and prayers.

E. E. HOSS,  
G. D. FRENCH,  
JAS. ATKINS, JR.

**Introductions.**—Dr. Dupre, of Martha Washington College; Dr. Kelley, Missionary Secretary, and Rev. Mr. Hogshhead, of the Presbyterian Church, were introduced to the Conference.

**Class of Second Year.**—QUESTION II. “*Who remain on trial?*”

ANSWER. The characters of J. T. Stover, J. D. Hixon, W. B. Stradley, J. A. Lyons, M. D. Thompson, J. R. Stewart, J. R. Cunningham, J. E. Cox, R. M. Sandifer, J. V. Brown were passed, and were continued on trial, and advanced to the class of the second year.

**W. D. Akers and J. O. Shelley.**—The characters of W. D. Akers and J. O. Shelley were passed, but not having been before the committee, they were continued in the class of the first year.

**J. N. Hobbs.**—John N. Hobb’s character passed, and he was discontinued.

**In Full Connection.**—QUESTION IV. “*Who are admitted into full connection?*”

ANSWER. The characters of Samuel B. Smitteel, Morton S. Watts, David H. Dickey, William B. Reese, Isaac H. Hoskins, Joseph P. Reynolds and Samuel S. Weatherly, were passed, and they were admitted into full connection, and elected to Deacon’s orders.

**R. A. Hutsell.**—Robert A. Hutsell’s character passed, but not having been before the committee, he was continued on trial.

**J. N. Lotspeich and Geo. C. Rankin.**—James N. Lotspeich and George C. Rankin were passed and admitted into full connection being already Deacons.

**Session Prolonged.**—One o’clock having arrived, on motion the time of the session was extended.

**Resolution.**—The following resolution was adopted:

*Resolved*, That W. B. Stradley and J. W. Smith be appointed a committee to receive any money that friends may be willing to contribute toward the erection of a monument over the remains of Bishops McKendree and

Soule, on the grounds of the Vanderbilt University, and pass the same into the hands of Dr. T. O. Summers.

E. E. WILEY,  
J. M. McTEER.

**W. G. E. Cunnyingham.**—W. G. E. Cunnyingham was granted leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

Notices were given, and Conference adjourned with the benediction.

#### FOURTH DAY—MORNING SESSION.

SATURDAY MORNING, Oct. 21, 1876.

Conference met at nine o'clock A. M., Bishop Wightman in the chair. Services by R. N. Price.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

**Located.**—QUESTION XX. "*Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?*"

ANSWER. The characters of R. J. Only and S. V. Bates were passed, and they were granted locations at their own request.

W. H. Weaver passed, and was granted a location. W. H. Barnes passed and was granted a supernumerary relation.

**G. A. Frazier.**—QUESTION XII. "*What traveling preachers are elected Elders?*"

ANSWER. George A. Frazier was passed and elected an Elder.

**E. S. Shelley.**—E. S. Shelley passed and was continued in the third year.

**R. T. Barton.**—QUESTION II. "*Who remain on trial?*"

ANSWER. R. T. Barton passed, and was advanced to the class of the second year.

**C. M. James and F. N. Atkin.**—C. M. James and F. N. Atkin were passed, and discontinued, at their own request.

**Superannuated.**—QUESTION VIII. "*Who are superannuated?*"

ANSWER. The characters of W. W. Neal, R. A. Giddens, W. Robeson, J. Haskew, L. W. Crouch, T. Sullins, W. B. Winton and T. J. Pope were passed, and they were continued on the superannuated list.

**D. B. Carter.**—The death of D. B. Carter was mentioned, and the case referred to the Committee on Memoirs.

**Admitted on Trial.**—QUESTION I. "*Who are admitted on trial?*"

ANSWER. John R. Walker, of the East Tazewell Circuit; David H. Coman and John C. Bays, of the Lebanon Circuit; John W. Carnes, of the Abingdon Circuit; Wm. L. Richardson, of the Bristol Station; William B. Baldwin, of the St. Clair Circuit; Andrew E. Householder, of the Knox and Lenoir Circuit; Carmine S. Bird, of the Waynesville Circuit; Samuel L. Richardson, of the Kingsport Circuit; Henry S. Lee, of the Maryville Circuit; Joseph W. Wampler, of the Gladeville, and Charles F. Clark, of the Rogersville Circuit, being severally

recommended by the Quarterly Conferences, of which they are members, and by the Conference Examining Committee, were admitted on trial into the traveling connection.

**Local Deacons.**—QUESTION X. "*What local pre chers are elected Deacons?*"

ANSWER. James H. Weaver, of Jefferson Circuit; William B. Oney, of Liberty Hill Circuit; Jefferson T. Jordan, of Bristol Station; Robert P. Rudder, of Knox and Lenoir Circuit; Thomas L. Miller, of Madisonville Circuit; Claiborne M. Campbell, of South Chattanooga Station; Chas. M. James, of Spencer Mission; Wm. B. Stradley, of Wytheville Circuit; James J. Phillips, of Elk Creek Circuit; James W. Holbrook, of Buchanan Circuit; Jesse Wampler, of McClure Mission, and Jos. Fitch, of Broad Street Station, having been four years a local preacher, and being severally recommended by their respective Quarterly Conferences, were elected Deacons.

**Local Elder.**—QUESTION XIV. "*What local preachers are elected Elders?*"

ANSWER. R. L. Kirkpatrick having been four years a local deacon, and being recommended by the Quarterly Conference of the Church Street Station, of which he is a member, and certifying, in writing, his assent to the doctrines and discipline of the M. E. Church, South, was elected an Elder.

**Introductions.**—Dr. Savage, Agent American Bible Society; Rev. Mr. Caldwell, of the Presbyterian Church, and Dr. Tadlock, of King's College, were introduced to the Conference.

**Communication.**—A communication from Mr. J. A. Bond, in reference to Sister R. M. Stephens, was received and referred to the Joint Board of Finance.

**Proposition of Rev. L. M. Pease.**—A proposition was received from Rev. L. M. Pease, with reference to the establishment of an Orphans' Home, and J. S. Kennedy, E. E. Hoss and C. T. Carroll were appointed a committee to ascertain and report to this Conference, at the earliest convenience, what action by the Conference is necessary in the premises.

**Resolution.**—A resolution, submitted by J. H. Brunner and others, with reference to an Educational Convention, was referred to the Committee on Education.

**Next Conference.**—QUESTION XXX. "*Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?*"

ANSWER. At Cleveland.

**Addresses.**—The Rev. Mr. Hogshead addressed the Conference on Finance, and Dr. Savage anent the American Bible Society.

On motion, it was

*Resolved*, That when we adjourn, we do so to meet at three o'clock this afternoon.

The Bishop announced that E. E. Wiley would take the chair at the afternoon session.

**Monday, 10 A. M.**—Ten o'clock Monday morning was set for the Memorial Service.

Notices were given and Conference adjourned with the benediction.

#### FOURTH DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

SATURDAY, 3 O'CLOCK P. M., Oct. 21, 1876.

Conference met at three o'clock P. M., Dr. E. E. Wiley in the chair. Religious services by W. M. Kerr.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

**Report of Joint Board of Finance.**—The Joint Board of Finance submitted a report, which was received and adopted. (See Report A.)

**Statistics.**—The Statistical Secretary submitted his report, which was received and adopted. (See Report B.)

**Report on Education.**—The Committee on Education submitted a report, which was received, considered and adopted, *seriatim*, and then adopted as a whole. (See Report C.)

**Sullins College.**—G. W. Miles, B. W. S. Bishop and W. B. Aston were appointed a committee to confer with the donors and trustees of Sullins College with reference to a proposed donation of said College to the Conference.

**Resolutions.**—The following preamble and resolution were adopted:

WHEREAS, The Presiding Elders' Districts of this Conference, by annual changes without reference to a general plan, have grown to be inconveniently shaped, and very unequal as to size, number of members, ability to support preachers, and amount of labor necessary to travel them; therefore,

*Resolved*, That a committee of three members be appointed to draw up a plan for re-districting the Conference, without reference to old lines, but so as to secure, as nearly as possible, symmetry and convenience of form and equality in the above mentioned particulars; which plan shall be presented to the Bishop presiding at the next session of the Conference, and respectfully recommended for consideration.

FRANK RICHARDSON,  
J. M. McTEER,  
G. STEWART,  
R. N. PRICE,  
E. E. WILEY,  
J. H. BRUNNER,  
W. H. BATES,  
D. SULLINS.

The Chair appointed on said committee, F. Richardson, Geo. Stewart, and J. M. McTeer.

**Special Committee.**—The report of Special Committee

on relation of certain schools to the Church, was read by F. W. Earnest, and adopted. (See Report D.)

Conference adjourned with the benediction.

## FIFTH DAY—MORNING SESSION.

MONDAY MORNING, Oct. 23, 1876.

Conference met at nine o'clock A. M., Bishop Wightman in the chair. Religious services by E. Vertegans.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

**Joint Board of Finance Appointed.**—Bishop Wightman announced the following Joint Board of Finance for the year 1876-77:

*Clerical.*—B. F. Nuchols, J. W. Bowman, J. T. Frazier, G. W. Callahan, C. T. Carroll, W. H. Bates, W. P. Pyott, K. C. Atkins, T. F. Glenn, W. B. Lyda, and W. M. Kerr.

*Lay.*—F. Alexander, J. P. Kelly, W. P. Aston, F. W. Earnest, H. C. T. Richmond, J. M. Carter, W. S. Sane, G. A. Long, E. C. Montgomery, J. A. Reagan and W. W. Stringfield.

**Ordained.**—QUESTION IX. "*What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?*"

ANSWER. Bishop Wightman reports that he ordained M. S. Watts, D. H. Dickey, S. B. Smitteel, W. B. Reese, S. S. Weatherly, I. H. Hoskins, J. P. Reynolds and W. S. Jordan deacons, at the Methodist Church, October 22, 1876.

**Ordained.**—QUESTION XI. "*What local preachers are ordained deacons?*"

ANSWER. At the above time and place, by Bishop Wightman, J. H. Weaver, W. D. Oney, J. T. Jordan, T. L. Miller, C. M. James, W. B. Stradley, and J. Wampler.

**Ordained.**—QUESTION XIII. "*What traveling preachers are ordained Elders?*"

ANSWER. Bishop Wightman reports that he ordained J. W. Smith, J. M. Wolfe, L. W. Thompson, W. H. Price, W. H. Dawn, J. Atkins, Jr., S. T. McPherson, J. A. Bilderback, D. S. Hearon, G. W. Simpson, W. R. Barnett and R. E. Smith elders, at the Methodist Church, October 22, 1876.

**Ordained.**—QUESTION XV. "*What local preachers are ordained Elders?*"

ANSWER. At the above time and place, by Bishop Wightman, Joseph McCreary.

**Educational Convention.**—The following resolution was returned to the Conference by the Committee on Education, considered, and adopted:

WHEREAS, It is greatly desirable that the educational work of the Holston Conference be further organized and unified; therefore,

*Resolved,* That the Conference do call an Educational Convention, to meet some time during the coming year, the exact time of the meeting, and all

other necessary arrangements, to be left in the hands of a committee of five, to be now appointed by the Presiding Bishop.

J. H. BRUNNER,  
E. E. HOSS,  
G. W. MILES,  
JOS. HASKEW,  
R. N. PRICE,  
GEO. D. FRENCH,  
F. RICHARDSON.

**Committee.**—The Bishop appointed on said committee, R. N. Price, F. Richardson, G. D. French, J. H. Brunner, E. E. Hoss and J. L. Buchanan.

**Report, Books, &c.**—The Committee on Books and Periodicals presented a report, which was adopted. (See Report E.)

**C. M. James.**—On motion of J. M. McTeer, the vote by which C. M. James was discontinued, was reconsidered, and he was continued on trial in the second year.

**Report on Church property.**—The Committee on Church Property submitted a report, which was adopted. (See Report F.)

The Committee on Public Worship appointed E. Vertegans to preach the Conference Sermon at our next session.

The members of the Board of Missions were granted leave of absence to hold a session of the Board.

**Memorial Services.**—J. S. Kennedy, from the Committee on Memoirs, submitted memoirs of J. W. Dickey, D. B. Carter, and John Reynolds, which, after very tender and touching remarks by B. W. S. Bishop, J. H. Brunner, J. M. McTeer, C. T. Carroll, J. Haskew, J. S. Kennedy, A. J. Frazier and the Bishop, were adopted.

**Orphans' Home.**—The committee to which was referred the proposition of R. L. M. Pease to establish an Orphans' Home, submitted a report, which was adopted. (See Report H.)

**Report on Sunday Schools.**—The Committee on Sunday Schools submitted a report, which was adopted. (See Report I.)

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to furnish copies of the report to the *Holston Methodist* and the *Nashville Advocate*, and request its publication.

**Sullins College.**—The committee appointed to confer with the donors and trustees of Sullins College, submitted a report, which was adopted. (See Report J.)

**Committee.**—R. N. Price, J. T. Frazier, J. L. Buchanan, J. M. McTeer and W. B. Aston were appointed a Board of Curators for said College, as provided for in said report.

**Resolution.**—The following resolution was adopted:

*Resolved*, That Prof. John L. Buchanan be, and is hereby requested, to furnish copies of his views on the general subject of Education, as read be-

fore this, Conference, to the Nashville *Christian Advocate*, and the *Holston Methodist*, for publication.

W. W. BAYS,  
J. H. BRUNNER,  
GEO. STEWART,  
F. RICHARDSON,  
H. W. BAYS.

**Examining Committees.**—C. T. Carroll was appointed on the committee to examine candidates for admission on trial, in place of B. W. S. Bishop, and K. C. Atkins on the Committee of the First Year, in place of W. W. Neal.

**Board of Missions.**—The following Board of Missions was elected: George Stewart, R. H. Parker, James Atkins Jr., J. S. Burnett, John W. Paulett, H. W. Bays, G. A. Long, D. W. Carter, L. L. Carlock, J. H. Parrott, W. H. Price, C. E. Wiggins, T. T. Salyer, D. H. Atkins and S. D. Gaines.

**Semi-Centennial Sermon, by J. Haskew.**—The following resolution was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Holston Conference requests Rev. Joseph Haskew to preach a semi-centennial sermon at our next Conference, to meet at Cleveland.

S. D. GAINES,  
JAS. MAHONEY.

It was

*Resolved*, That when we adjourn, we adjourn to meet at three o'clock this afternoon.

Conference adjourned with the benediction.

## FIFTH DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

MONDAY, 3 O'CLOCK P. M., Oct. 23, 1876.

Conference met at three o'clock P. M., Bishop Wightman in the chair. Prayer by J. Haskew.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

**Resolutions.**—The following resolutions were adopted:

*Resolved*, That as a Conference, we most sincerely and heartily welcome Prof. Warren DuPre into our midst, and to the Presidency of Martha Washington College; that we heartily endorse his address in reference to the College and Education, delivered before this Conference; and that he deserves and shall have our sympathy and co-operation in his efforts to advance the interests and prosperity of Martha Washington College.

W. W. BAYS,  
R. N. PRICE,  
GEO. W. MILES.  
J. M. McTEER.

*Resolved*, That we hereby most earnestly request and advise, that hereafter, when there is to be a meeting of the Joint Board of Visitors and Trustees of any of the colleges or schools under the control of this Conference, that the lawfully constituted authority or authorities for calling such



meeting shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to each member of the Joint Board, personally, due notice of such meeting, or place, or cause to be placed, such notice in each member's post-office, at least ten days before the meeting of the Joint Board; or lawfully mail, or cause to be mailed, such due notice to the proper address of each member of the Joint Board, at least twelve days before such meeting.

W. W. BAYS,  
J. M. McTEER,  
R. N. PRICE.

**Bible Cause.**—The Committee on the Bible Cause submitted their report, which was adopted. (See Report K.)

**Report of the Board of Missions.**—The Secretary of the Board of Missions presented his report, which was adopted. (See Report L.)

**Resolutions of Thanks.**—The following resolutions were unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Conference are hereby tendered to the good people of Bristol for the hospitality they have extended to the members of the Conference; to the pastors and people of the other churches of Bristol for opening their doors and offering the Conference the use of their pulpits; and also to the several railroad companies for the kindness and accommodations which they have extended to the members of the Conference in traveling over their roads.

S. D. GAINES,  
J. H. BRUNNER.

*Resolved*, That the members of the Conference tender to Bishop Wightman their thanks for the very courteous and efficient manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of this Conference, and we do devoutly pray God's blessings upon him and his family.

F. W. EARNEST,  
E. E. WILEY.

After a brief address by the Bishop, the appointments of the Preachers for the ensuing year were then read, and the Conference adjourned, with the benediction by the Bishop. *sine die*.

W. M. WIGHTMAN, *President*.

F. RICHARDSON, *Secretary*.

MINUTES  
OF THE  
HOLSTON CONFERENCE,  
OF THE M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH,

*Held at Bristol, Tenn., beginning October 18, and ending October 23, 1876, Bishop W. M. WIGHTMAN, President, F. RICHARDSON, Secretary.*

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**Question I. Who are admitted on trial?**

**Answer.** John R. Walker David H. Coman, John C. Bays, John W. Carnes, Wm. L. Richardson, Wm. B. Baldwin, Thos. W. Alexander, Andrew E. Householder, Carmine S. Bird, Samuel L. Richardson, Henry S. Lee, Joseph W. Wampler, Charles F. Clark—13.

**Question II. Who remain on trial?**

**Answer.** W. W. Hicks, J. T. Stover, J. D. Hixon, W. B. Stradley, J. A. Lyons, M. D. Thompson, J. R. Stewart, J. R. Cunningham, J. E. Cox, R. M. Sandifer, J. V. Brown, R. T. Barton, W. D. Akers, first year; J. O. Shelley, first year; R. A. Hutsell, C. M. James, P. P. Kinser, H. P. Bugar—18.

**Question III. Who are discontinued?**

**Answer.** John N. Hobbs, Frank N. Atkin—2.

**Question IV. Who are admitted into full connection?**

**Answer.** Samuel B. Smitteel, Morton S. Watts, David H. Dickey, William B. Reese, Isaac H. Hoskins, Joseph P. Reynolds, Samuel S. Weatherly, James N. Lotspeich, George C. Rankin—9.

**Question V. Who are re-admitted?**

**Answer.** None.

**Question VI. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?**

**Answer.** S. S. Weatherly—1.

**Question VII. Who are the deacons of one year?**

**Answer.** J. K. Wolfe, E. L. Barrett, J. H. Sensibaugh, W. M. Crawford, James I. Cash, Jr., Ayres Kincaid, J. W. Robertson, J. H. Robinson, J. H. Parrott, J. H. Kennedy, E. H. Bogle, A. T. Brooks, J. B. Davis, I. S. Ross, third year; G. W. K. Greene, fourth year; E. S. Shelley, third year—16.

**Question VIII. What traveling preachers are elected deacons?**

**Answer.** Samuel B. Smitteel, Morton S. Watts, David H. Dickey, William B. Reese, Isaac H. Hoskins, Joseph P. Reynolds, Samuel S. Weatherly—7.

**Question IX. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?**

**Answer.** Morton S. Watts, D. H. Dickey, S. B. Smitteel, W. B. Reese, S. S. Weatherly, I. H. Hoskins, J. P. Reynolds, W. S. Jordan—8.

**Question X. What local preachers are elected deacons?**

**Answer.** James H. Weaver, William B. Oney, Robert P. Rudder, Thomas L. Miller, C. M. Campbell, Charles M. James, W. B. Stradley, James J. Phillips, James W. Holbrook, Jesse Wampler, Joseph Fitch—11.

**Question XI. What local preachers are ordained deacons?**

**Answer.** J. H. Weaver, W. D. Oney, J. T. Jordan, T. L. Miller, C. M. James, W. B. Stradley, J. Wampler—7.

**Question XII. What traveling preachers are elected elders?**

**Answer.** J. Wesley Smith, Leander W. Thompson, John M. Wolfe, William H. Price, William H. Dawn, Jas. Atkins, Jr., Stevens T. M. McPherson, Joseph A. Bilderback, Daniel S. Hearon, George W. Simpson, W. R. Barnett, Robert E. Smith, George A. Frazier—13.

**Question XIII. What traveling preachers are ordained elders?**

**Answer.** J. Wesley Smith, John M. Wolfe, L. W. Thompson, W. H. Price, W. H. Dawn, J. Atkins, Jr., S. T. M. McPherson, J. A. Bilderback, D. S. Hearon, G. W. Simpson, W. R. Barnett, R. E. Smith—12.

**Question XIV. What local preachers are elected elders?**

**Answer.** R. L. Kirkpatrick—1.

**Question XV. What local preachers are ordained elders?**

**Answer.** Jos. McCreary—1.

**Question XVI. Who are located this year?**

**Answer.** L. M. Renfro, H. M. Bennett, R. J. Only, Sterling V. Bates, W. H. Weaver—5.

**Question XVII. Who are supernumerary?**

**Answer.** R. M. Hickey, William Hicks, George W. Renfro, W. J. Phillips, Joseph B. Davis, G. W. K. Greene, W. H. Barnes—7.

**Question XVIII. Who are superannuated?**

**Answer.** Joseph Haskew, Wiley B. Winton, T. Sullins, Wm. Robeson, L. W. Crouch, T. J. Pope, R. A. Giddens, W. W. Neal—8.

**Question XIX. What preachers have died during the past year?**

**Answer.** James W. Dickey, Daniel B. Carter, John Reynolds—3.

## MEMOIRS.

### MEMOIR OF REV. DANIEL B. CARTER.

Daniel B. Carter, of the Holston Conference, M. E. Church, South, was the second son of Ezekiel and Martha Carter, of Greene county, Tennessee. He was born August 25, 1803, and died June 7, 1876.

The precise time of his conversion is not known, but is supposed to have occurred sometime before or during the year 1827, he having been licensed to preach in October of that year. He was also admitted on trial into the traveling connection in 1827, and appointed that year to the Sequatchie Circuit with I. Easterly in charge. He was admitted into full connection in 1829, and ordained deacon by Joshua Soule. In 1831 he was ordained elder by Elijah Hedding. He was married to Miss Cynthia C. Burnett in 1834, who died in July 1846. In 1849 he was again married, this time to Mary W. Aston.

By reference to the Conference Minutes it will be seen that Bro. Carter traveled various important fields of labor, extending through a period of forty-nine years, excepting one year, in which he sustained a local relation.

It is proper to say, also, that at the session of the Conference in Asheville, North Carolina in 1866, he withdrew from the M. E. Church, South, and became a traveling preacher in the M. E. Church, "for reasons," he said, "best known to himself." In this he was as sincere as in any act of his whole life. He was too honest to do anything that he felt was not right. Nor was it because he was opposed to the M. E. Church, South, in feeling; for in 1868, when the way of usefulness opened up again, he returned to the M. E. Church, South, and was continued on the superannuated list for awhile. He then became effective, and traveled for several years, the two last of which were on the Morristown and Rutledge circuits.

The leading trait in his character was devotion to God and fidelity to the Church. He never compromised with sin, the world or the devil in any sense. Whatever appeared to him to be right, was espoused by him heartily, and without any regard to what men might think or say, though he might make many enemies and turn many friends against himself.

When he knew what God would have him do and say, he would do and say those very things, if the heavens should fall. Yet, when he came to die, there was no man more loved and honored. Though he waged a relentless war against sin, and opposed the sinner's views and feelings so many times, yet sin-

ners reverence his memory and honor his name now that he is gone. He never acted from motives of policy, he simply did, at all times, what seemed to be duty. In this he was a model for a Christian minister. The young preacher would do well to follow his steps in this respect. He had more honor in his death than all time-serving principles could have secured him.

At the last Conference he was superannuated again; and not long thereafter he felt symptoms of heart-disease, which grew worse, until his sudden death, on the seventh of June, 1876. His death was peaceful and happy. His faith in God was strong to the very last. He desired that his love and last blessing should be borne to the Holston Conference, with which he never expected to meet again until its members all meet in heaven. He said he never had enjoyed a Conference so much as our last session, and especially the society of the young preachers. It was his desire to be buried at Liberty Hill Church by the side of Bro. Crismond, as they had preached and labored together for so many years.

The morning of his death, while at family prayer, he seemed to anticipate his speedy dissolution. His prayer was very powerful, full of heavenly unction. He prayed for his family—all present and those absent—for his friends and enemies, if he had any; for the Church and the ministry, and for the young people so recently converted in the revival at Morristown. No one seemingly ever enjoyed a meeting more. God gave him such a blessing that he frequently went all over the house shouting and praising His name, talking to others about their salvation.

A few weeks thereafter this useful and faithful servant of God peacefully and triumphantly fell asleep in Christ.

JAS. S. KENNEDY, Chairman.

### MEMOIR OF REV. JAMES W. DICKEY.

James Wesley Dickey was born in McMinn county, Tennessee, March 24, 1829. He made a profession of religion when ten years old, and graduated at Hiwassee College when quite young. He was licensed to preach by the Quarterly Conference of Madisonville Circuit, Athens District, David Fleming Presiding Elder, June 5, 1852. He joined the Holston Conference at Asheville, North Carolina, October, 1852, and was appointed to the Tellico Mission. In 1853 he was sent to the Saltville Circuit. In 1854 he was ordained deacon by Bishop Pierce at Cleveland, Tenn., and the following year traveled the Burnsville Circuit. In 1855 he was sent to the Abingdon Station. In 1856 he was ordained Elder by Bishop Early, at Knoxville, Tennessee, and appointed to the Kingston Circuit. He afterward filled the following charges: 1857, Jonesboro Station; 1858 and 1859, Marion Circuit; 1860 and 1861, Parisburg Circuit; 1862 and 1863, Pikeville District; 1864, Superinten-

dent army missions. From 1865 to 1869 he traveled the Abingdon District as Presiding Elder; and from 1869 to 1873, the Wytheville District; 1873, Marion Circuit; 1874, Abingdon Circuit; 1875, he was returned to the Abingdon Circuit. He labored faithfully here, as everywhere else, until death closed his career of toil and self-sacrifice.

From the above data it will be seen that he spent nearly twenty-four years in active labors as an itinerant preacher. In 1857 he was married to Susan Emeline Waterman, who preceded him to their final rest about four years. On Sunday, the twenty-sixth of last March, he was violently attacked with typhoid fever, and after lingering ten days, calmly and sweetly fell asleep in Jesus. He fell in the midst of the fight, and with his armor on. For his last sermon, when he little thought it would be his last, he chose as a text that beautiful passage in the Epistle to the Philippians: 'For I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ, which is far better.'

A short time before his death, when informed that his end was near and asked if his faith in God was still strong, he replied: "It is *fixed*."

Thus this faithful man of God passed away to his final rest.

JAS. S. KENNEDY, Chairman.

### MEMOIR OF REV. JOHN REYNOLDS.

The subject of this memoir was born in Rowan county, North Carolina, June 4, 1797. He was a son of religious parents, and early had religious impressions. Of his conversion he says: "Although at the distance of more than sixty years, I delight to go back to the very spot where God, for Christ's sake, spoke peace to my troubled soul.

"The gladness of that happy day,  
Oh may it ever, ever stay."

"Having found the pearl of great price, I ran with eagerness to tell of the power of saving Grace."

Soon after his conversion he was appointed class-leader, a cross to him almost unbearable.

In 1818 he was licensed to exhort by Taccheus Dowling, and with him traveled a few rounds on Sugar Creek Circuit, South Carolina Conference.

Deeply impressed that it was his duty to preach, he passed many days and nights in a painful struggle between a sense of duty and his natural disinclination to enter upon a work for which he felt so poorly qualified on account of his extreme youth and want of education.

He was admitted on trial into the South Carolina Conference at Augusta, Georgia, in January, 1819, received into full connection in January, 1821, and ordained deacon by Bishop George. He was ordained elder by Bishop Roberts in 1825.

His health failing, he located in 1826, and moved to the mountains of North Carolina. In 1855 he was re-admitted into the traveling connection in the Holston Annual Conference. He sustained this relation until his death.

He was a man of fine common sense, and turned to good account the many valuable lessons learned in the great school of association. Modest, upright, candid, gentlemanly, gentle and yet firmly fixed in his convictions—he won the confidence and Christian respect of all who knew him.

As a preacher he was earnest and practical, pungent, terse, impressive and successful. He aimed at results and achieved them. He was dauntless in his devotion to truth and righteousness. Persecution and reproach did not deter or swerve him from the path of duty.

He was a pioneer, and rejoiced that he was called to share the toils and privations and Christian companionship of such men as James O. Andrew, Jesse Richardson, Daniel Asbury, Lewis Myers and Joseph Travis. He was a personal witness of many extraordinary "bodily exercises," as he was wont to call them, in his early ministry, in which scores and hundreds fell prostrate under his powerful sermons—stiff and cold, as if they were dead.

Ardently attached to the old usages of the Church, he feared he might be denounced as unprogressive; still such was his uniform kindness and gentleness of manner, that every one loved and respected him. In his declining years he often referred to the marked contrast between the present time and the early years of his ministry, in which he and others of his contemporaries encountered peltings by stones, pistol shots from furious wretches, and other deeds of violence. Denuded of hat, coat and shoes, he was compelled to walk many miles, barefoot, and, with uncovered head, exposed to the scorching sun, and now and then forced to sleep in the jungles of the woods to escape the violence of drunken desperadoes. With courage and faith he patiently bore all for the Master's sake. He spent his closing years on the Asheville District. They were among his most useful and happy days, among his children and friends. His life was remarkably exemplary, and always influential for good.

He died as he lived, full of faith and the Holy Ghost, testifying to all who were privileged to witness the closing scenes of his earthly pilgrimage, that the Lord was with him, that heaven was his home, and that the angels were present waiting to convey him to his final and everlasting rest. The old veteran of the Cross fell asleep April 11, 1876, and peacefully rests from labor on earth. He awaits the resurrection of the just.

JAMES S. KENNEDY, Chairman.



**Question XX.** Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

**Answer.** Their names were called and characters examined, one by one, and all passed except G. M. Massey, whose case was referred to the Presiding Elder of the Asheville District.

**Question XXI.** What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations and missions of the Conference?

**Answer.** Local preachers, 308; white members, 40,986; colored members, 80; Indian members, 204.

**Question XXII.** How many infants have been baptized during the year?

**Answer.** One thousand, three hundred and seventy-eight.

**Question XXIII.** How many adults have been baptized during the year?

**Answer.** Two thousand, three hundred and fifty nine.

**Question XXIV.** What is the number of Sunday-Schools?

**Answer.** Four hundred and fifty-nine.

**Question XXV.** What is the number of Sunday-School Teachers?

**Answer.** Three thousand and forty-three.

**Question XXVI.** What is the number of Sunday-School scholars?

**Answer.** Twenty-two thousand, five hundred and sixteen.

**Question XXVII.** What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

**Answer.** One thousand, eight hundred and twenty-five dollars.

**Question XXVIII.** What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

**Answer.** One thousand, three hundred and sixty-one dollars, and sixty-four cents.

**Question XXIX.** What has been contributed for Missions?

**Answer.** For domestic missions.....\$ 2,499.11  
For foreign missions..... 1,518.55

Total.....\$ 4,017.66

**Question XXX.** Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

**Answer.** At Cleveland, Tennessee.

**Question XXXI.** Where are the preachers stationed this year?

**Answer.** The following are the appointments for 1876-77:

## APPOINTMENTS FOR 1876-77.

## WYTHEVILLE DISTRICT.

G. W. MILES, P. E.

Wytheville Station, W. B. Stradley.  
 Wytheville Circuit, W. H. Price.  
 Marlon Circuit, G. D. French, J. N. Lotspetch.  
 Jefferson Circuit, I. S. Ross.  
 Independence Circuit, B. F. Nuckols.  
 Elk Creek Circuit, J. Mahoney, W. J. Phillips, (sup.)  
 { Hillsville Circuit, W. W. Hicks.  
 { Carroll Mission, to be supplied.  
 Leadmines Circuit, H. C. Neal.  
 Newbern Circuit, G. Stewart.  
 Central Circuit, J. K. Wolfe.  
 Jacksonville Station and Floyd Mission, L. W. Thompson.  
 Watauga Circuit, J. A. Wiggins.

## JEFFERSONVILLE DISTRICT.

T. F. SMYTH, P. E.

Jeffersonville Station, L. K. Haynes.  
 Liberty Hill Circuit, W. S. Jordan.  
 East Tazewell Circuit, W. H. Kelly, P. P. Kinzer; G. W. K. Green, sup'y.  
 Pearisburg Circuit, J. W. Bowman.  
 Seddon Circuit, E. Vertegans, William Hicks, sup'y.  
 Princeton Circuit, P. S. Sutton.  
 Buchanan Mission, W. M. Crawford.  
 McDowell Mission, S. Richardson.  
 Bluestone and Flat Top Mission, J. R. Walker.

## ABINGDON DISTRICT.

B. W. S. BISHOP, P. E.

Abingdon Station, D. W. Carter; W. H. Barnes, sup'y.  
 Abingdon Circuit, M. S. Watts; J. B. Davis, sup'y.  
 Emory and Saltville Circuit, E. W. Moore, J. W. Carnes.  
 Rich Valley Circuit, A. T. Brooks.  
 Bristol Station, J. T. Frazier.  
 Bristol Circuit, J. R. Cunningham.  
 Lebanon Circuit, C. E. Wiggins.  
 Dickinsonville Circuit, H. W. Bays.  
 Gladeville Circuit, W. L. Richardson.  
 McClure Mission, supplied by I. N. Boyd.  
 Estillville Circuit, M. L. Clendenen.  
 E. E. Wiley, President Emory and Henry College; J. A. Davis, Professor.  
 D. Sullins, President, and D. S. Hearon, Professor, Sullins College.  
 E. E. Hoss, Professor, Martha Washington College.  
 G. A. Frazier, Principal, Abingdon District High School.  
 W. G. E. Cunningham, Sunday-school Secretary.

## JONESBORO DISTRICT.

F. RICHARDSON, P. E.

Jonesboro Station, T. R. Handy.  
 Johnson City and Elizabethton Station, G. W. Simpson.  
 Blountville Circuit, L. C. Delashmit.  
 Jonesboro Circuit, J. H. Sensabaugh.  
 Union Circuit, G. W. Callahan.  
 Rheatown Circuit, J. L. M. French.

Greeneville Circuit, J. D. Hickson.  
 Newport Circuit, I. H. Hoskins.  
 St. Clair Circuit, W. R. Barnett.  
 Fall Branch Circuit and Horse Creek Mission, F. D. Crumley.  
 Taylorsville Mission, supplied by W. K. Cross.  
 District Conference High School, R. T. Barton.

## MORRISTOWN DISTRICT.

J. BORING, P. E.

Morristown Station, C. T. Carroll; J. N. S. Huffaker, sup'y.  
 Morristown Circuit, D. R. Smith.  
 Mossy Creek Station, J. A. Lyous.  
 Rogersville Circuit, W. B. Reese.  
 Rutledge Circuit, H. P. Waugh.  
 Kingsport Circuit, J. M. Wolfe.  
 Rye Cove Circuit, F. A. Farley, W. B. Baldwin.  
 Jonesville Circuit, J. H. Torbett; W. L. Turner, sup'y.  
 Powell's Valley Circuit, W. H. Cooper, C. S. Bird.  
 { Tazewell Circuit, C. F. Clark.  
 { Sneedville Mission, J. D. Baldwin.  
 H. P. Myers, President of Branner Institute.

## KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.

C. LONG, P. E.

{ Knoxville, Church-st., J. S. Burnett.  
 { Knoxville, City Mission, W. H. Bates.  
 Knoxville, Broad-st., W. W. Bays.  
 Knoxville Circuit, B. O. Davis.  
 Lenoir Circuit, H. S. Lee.  
 Maryville and Louisville Circuit, J. C. Runyan.  
 Clinton Circuit, E. L. Barrett.  
 Maynardsville Circuit, J. M. Marshall, R. A. Hutsell.  
 Jacksboro Circuit, C. K. Miller.  
 Strawberry Plains and Dandridge Circuit, J. S. W. Neal, A. E. Householder.  
 Sevierville Circuit, J. H. Kennedy.  
 Knoxville District High School, J. R. Payne, Associate Principal.  
 Editor *Holston Methodist*, R. N. Price.  
 Conference Book Agent, Jacob Smith.

## ATHENS DISTRICT.

G. TAYLOR, P. E.

Athens Station, to be supplied; R. M. Hickey, sup'y.  
 Athens Circuit, S. D. Gaines; J. K. P. Ball, sup'y.  
 Rieeville Circuit, S. T. M. McPherson.  
 Decatur Circuit, D. H. Carr, C. M. James.  
 Sweetwater Circuit, L. L. H. Carlock.  
 Philadelphia and Loudon Circuit, W. W. Pyott.  
 Union and Morgantown Circuit, J. W. Robertson.  
 Eleazer Circuit and Tellico Mission, M. D. Thompson; J. R. Stradley, sup'y.  
 Madisonville Circuit, W. D. Montcastle.  
 J. H. Brunner, President Hiwassee College.  
 S. Phillips, Agent Hiwassee College.

J. T. Smith, Colporteur American Bible Society.  
G. C. Rankin, Principal Athens District High School.

## CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.

J. M. McTEER, P. E.

Chattanooga, Market-st., R. H. Parker.  
Chattanooga, Whiteside-street, J. W. Smith.  
Lookout Mission, supplied by W. J. Drimon.  
Cleveland Station, J. H. Keith.  
Cleveland and Benton Circuit, supplied by J. A. Darr.  
Charleston Station, K. C. Atkins.  
Ooltewah Circuit, J. Bilderback.  
Hamilton Circuit and Sale Creek Mission, W. H. Dawn.  
Trenton Circuit, T. T. Salyer, J. C. Bays.

## SEQUATCHIE DISTRICT.

S. R. WHEELER, P. E.

Jasper Station, D. H. Dickey.  
Jasper Circuit, J. H. Parrott; J. Alley, sup'y.  
Pikeville Circuit, J. R. Stewart.  
Washington Circuit, R. E. Smith.  
Kingston Circuit, T. F. Glenn.  
Jamestown Circuit and Obed River Mission, J. V. Brown.  
Crossville Circuit and Bonair Mission, J. O. Shelley; G. W. Renfro, sup'y.  
Spencer Mission, D. H. Coman.  
Altamont and Mountain Mission, R. M. Standifer.  
Tracy City, J. I. Cash, Jr.  
Summerfield Circuit and Cove Mission, T. P. Darr.  
Clinch River Mission, J. P. Dickey.

## ASHEVILLE DISTRICT.

A. J. FRAZIER, P. E.

Asheville Station, J. Atkins, Jr.  
Weaverville Circuit, J. H. Robeson, A. Kincaid; R. W. Pickens, sup'y.  
Sulphur Springs Ct., W. D. Mitchell.  
Brevard Circuit, S. S. Grant.  
Hendersonville Circuit, S. S. Weatherly.  
Catawba Circuit, W. B. Lyda.  
Burnsville Circuit, J. P. Reynolds.  
Bakersville Circuit, J. T. Stover.  
Laurel Mission, J. F. Wampler.  
Marshall Circuit and Pine Creek Mission, W. D. Akers.  
J. S. Kennedy, President Weaverville College.

## FRANKLIN DISTRICT.

D. H. ATKINS, P. E.

Franklin Station, M. P. Swahn.  
Franklin Circuit, T. Alexander.  
Waynesville Circuit, W. M. Kerr.  
North Haywood Circuit, J. R. Long.  
Hayesville Circuit, J. E. Cox.  
Murphy Circuit, E. H. Bogle.  
(Ducktown Station, W. C. Carden.  
( Mine City Mission, supplied by A. C. Hunter.  
Echota Indian Mission, J. W. Bird, and "Enola" supplied.  
Webster Circuit, to be supplied.  
Robinsville Mission, E. S. Shelley.

## TRANSFERRED.

James Atkins, Sr., to Little Rock Conference; George T. Gray, to Western Conference; H. T. Burger, to Columbia Conference; S. B. Smitteel, to Florida Conference; W. P. Doane, to West Texas Conference.

## HOLSTON CONFERENCE. 1825.

*Admitted on Trial.*—William Ketron, Thomas K. Catlett, Chris. Easterly, John Trotter, Ulrich Keener, Hugh Johnson, Jacob McDaniel, Henry Williams, J. W. Paddleford.

*Admitted to full connection.*—J. D. Harris, R. Kirkpatrick, E. F. Sevier, Creed Fulton, Isaac Easterly.

*Supernumerary.*—David Adams.

*Superannuated.*—James Dixon, Geo. Ekin, Jas. G. H. Speer.

*Locations.*—Samuel Harwell, John Bradfield, F. A. Owen, Abraham Still, W. P. Kendrick.

## APPOINTMENTS OF PREACHERS.

## ABINGDON DISTRICT.

SAMUEL PATTON, P. E.

Lee, Thomas J. Brown.  
Hawkins, Goodson McDaniel.  
Clinch, John Bowman, Hugh Johnson.  
Tazewell, Josiah B. Daughtry.

Giles, Thomas Rice, Wm. Ketron.  
New River, Edward T. Peery, John S. Henly.  
Ash, Robert Kirkpatrick.  
Abingdon, William Patton, H. Keener.  
Blountville, Geo. Horn, David Fleming.

## FRENCH BROAD DISTRICT.

THOS. STRINGFIELD, P. E.

Carter's Valley, Wm. S. Manson, W. T. Senter.  
 Jonesboro, Isaac Lewis, William Cumming; D. Adams, sup'y.  
 Green, John Kelley, J. W. Paddleford.  
 Newport, Josiah Rhoton, Paxton Cumming.  
 French Broad, David B. Cumming.  
 Black Mount, A. Overall, J. Trotter.  
 Franklin, James D. Harris.  
 Sulphur Springs, James Cumming, C. Easterly.  
 Little River, Jesse Cunnyngnam.

## KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.

JOHN HENNIGER, P. E.

Knox, Jas. Y. Crawford, Jacob Hearn.  
 Maryville, E. F. Sevier.  
 Tellico, Lewis Jones, Henry Williams.  
 Hiwassee, Josiah R. Smith, Moses E. Kerr.  
 Washington, Isaac Easterly.  
 Sequatchie, Jacob McDaniel.  
 Cumberland Mt., Branch H. Merri-  
 mon.  
 Kingston, Creed Fulton, Thos. K. Catlett.  
 Powell's Valley, John Craig.  
 George Atkin without a station this year.

The above is inserted here as a matter of comparison with the list of appointments for 1876.

It was furnished last year by Dr. J. B. McFerrin in answer to some inquiries about the first preachers of our Conference.

## CONFERENCE REPORTS.

Reports of Committees are adopted by vote of the Conference, and thereby approved and made the official action of the body. These reports are published for the consideration of members of the Church, and as a matter of reference by the preachers during the year.

No report is omitted. The report of the Board of Finance, the reports on Sunday-Schools and on Collections for Missions, are divided; and part put in the tables at the end of these reports.

The arrangement of reports is the work of the Editor, and is different from the order in which they were presented.

The *Memoirs* of Revs. D. B. Carter, J. W. Dickey and J. Reynolds, may be found in the Minutes, with the Question, "Who have died this year?"

### C.

## REPORT ON EDUCATION.

*To the President and members of Holston Conference, M. E. Church, South:*

Your committee to whom was referred the subject of Education, beg leave to report that they have had the same under serious and prayerful consideration and from the lights before them are of the opinion that there is a great improvement in the minds of our people on this subject. The scarcity of money is the greatest draw-back with which we have to contend. There is a desire to educate, but a want of ability.

We are satisfied that the system of district schools, as adopted by your body, has been and is of great benefit to the Church in affording means of acquiring a passable education to many who otherwise would have remained in comparative ignorance; and of awakening a desire in the hearts of many others to seek a higher and better knowledge. We therefore heartily and earnestly recommend these schools to the patronage of our people, as a means of Christian education, which should be extended in our colleges.

EMORY AND HENRY is the oldest institution in your midst, and justly stands at the head of the list of colleges in your bounds. It was founded by the older members of your body, many of whom are now sleeping in their graves. It has been patronized and sustained by your efforts, and we are happy to be able to say that it has merited and still merits, more patronage than it has received. The Faculty is able and all well qualified for the work assigned them; the facilities of imparting knowledge being equal to any in the South, while its discipline is mild but firm. So well are these facts known that other States and Conferences are yearly sending their boys to fill her halls and receive her instruction.

We recommend that Rev. Carroll Long be appoted to fill the vacancy in the Visiting Committee, caused by the death of Rev. J. W. Dickey.

HIWASSEE COLLEGE was mainly started by the energy and benevolence of the immediate settlers around her, who were great

lovers of Methodism, as well as patrons of education. It was built to supply a needed want, and then turned over to your body comparatively free from debt. Her Trustees and Faculty deserve the thanks of all lovers of Christian education for their faithful labors and continued perseverance. She has done, and is still doing, a noble work. Her course of instruction is good, and her Faculty able and all competent for the trust committed to each of them. She deserves patronage, and should have it.

Her Trustees request the Bishop to appoint them an agent the present year, as they desire to increase their buildings, and we recommend that their request be granted.

The Trustees request that Rev. S. D. Gaines be appointed on the Board of Trustees of Hiwassee College, in place of Col. T. Lenoir, and we recommend the appointment.

MARTHA WASHINGTON FEMALE COLLEGE is the only school of the kind belonging to your body, and justly deserves the patronage of the Church. We are pleased to know that she has a liberal and still increasing patronage. Her course of instruction is complete, and her Faculty well qualified for the work in which they are engaged. She has under her instruction young ladies from States beyond your bounds, and from her healthy location and facilities of instruction, will ever have an increasing patronage, as she deserves to have. We can cheerfully recommend her to all persons having daughters to educate.

We would most respectfully urge upon the Trustees the great necessity of husbanding their resources as much as possible until the small debt hanging over her be liquidated, as it is desirable to have all our colleges free from financial embarrassment.

WEAVERVILLE COLLEGE is a new institution, established in the North Carolina portion of your Conference. It is situated in a beautiful and healthy section of the county, in one of the oldest Methodist settlements of all that mountain section. She is properly a child of necessity. Though not belonging to the Conference or Church, as a whole, yet her preparatory department is the District High School of the Asheville District. In that department males and females are both taught, while the college proper is a male school. The Faculty is a good one. The school is doing a noble work, and justly deserves, and is receiving a fine patronage.

The Trustees request that Rev. J. S. Kennedy, D. D., be returned as President of the joint schools, and we heartily recommend it.

SULLINS COLLEGE.—There was a paper that should have been turned over to the Committee on Education, which failed to reach us. We are, therefore at a loss to know what to say in regard to said school. We learn from other sources that the school is in a very flourishing condition, and is doing a good work.

If the Trustees desire Bro. Sullins to be returned to said school as her President, we would recommend that their request be granted, and that Bro. Hearon be returned as a Professor.

The founder of Branner Female Institute, at Mossy Creek, Tenn., asks that Rev. Herbert P. Myers be appointed to the Presidency of the same, which request we recommend be granted.

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.—We rejoice to know that through the liberality of Cornelius Vanderbilt, a great Southern university has been founded and endowed, in the name of Vanderbilt University.. It is a source of gratitude to the whole Church to know that such an institution has been established beyond the possibility of failure. We trust that it will ever be conducted strictly as a university that there may never be any collision between that noble institution and our colleges.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

WM. M. KERR, Chairman.

## D.

### REPORT ON CHURCH SCHOOLS.

*To the President and members of the Holston Conference, M. E. Church, South :*

Your Committee on Church Schools beg leave to submit the following preamble and resolutions :

WHEREAS, The Committee on Education, at the last session of this Conference, recommended the appointment of a committee who should report at this session of the Conference, "the precise relation of the various schools to the church;" and,

WHEREAS, Upon this recommendation the Conference at its last session appointed said committee, who made an effort to have the information necessary to enable them to make this report at this session of the Conference, but for the want of such information, and the impossibility of having access to the records of the counties where these schools are located, it is impossible to report "the precise property relation of these schools to the church;" therefore,

*Resolved*, That those having our church schools in charge be and they are hereby requested to furnish in writing on the first day of the next session of this Conference, the precise and specific relation of the property under their control to the church.

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Education, at the next session of this Conference, be requested to embody the desired information in their report to the Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. EARNEST,  
E. C. REEVES,  
E. E. WILEY.



## J.

## REPORT ON SULLINS COLLEGE.

*To the President and members of Holston Conference, M. E. Church, South:*

The undersigned committee, appointed by your body to confer with the Trustees and original donors of Sullins College, having had the consultation contemplated beg leave to make the following report:

We find that the original donors of said college property having in their deed conveying said property to the Trustees, reserved to themselves a reversionary interest in said property; that is, that if the property should, for five consecutive years, fail to be used for the purpose for which it is granted, then that the title to the whole property shall revert to the original donors; said original donors, through their committee, now propose to convey said reversionary interest to the Holston Conference, without conditions.

Your committee further beg leave to report that the Trustees of said college invite the Holston Conference to appoint a Visiting Committee of five, or more, of the members of the Conference, who shall have power perpetually to nominate the President of said college.

Your committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That the Conference accept the propositions made both by the original donors and the trustees of Sullins College.

2. *Resolved*, That the Conference appoint a Board of Curators of five of its members, pursuant to the request of the trustees of said college, and that said committee have power to consummate the proposed arrangement with the original donors of said college property.

Respectfully reported,

GEO. W. MILES,  
B. W. S. BISHOP,  
W. B. ASTON.

## E.

## REPORT ON BOOKS AND PERIODICALS.

*To the President and members of Holston Conference, M. E. Church, South:*

Your Committee on Books and Periodicals submit the following facts and figures:

We are pleased to learn from the exhibit of Dr. Redford, agent of the Publishing House, at Nashville, that during the year ending July 1, 1876, the indebtedness of the house has been decreased to the amount of \$5,695.20, and the capital invested, in the same time, has increased \$9,150.22.

Yet, difficulties surround the House, entailing great care and perplexity upon the Agent and Managers.

The aid of all our traveling preachers, as well as the co-operation of the laity, is much needed during the next Conference year, that this great enterprise of the Church may be placed on a firm financial basis.

It is with regret that we announce to this body that the reports from the various fields of labor within our bounds reveal the fact that, during the ecclesiastical year just closing, the amount of books sold has diminished almost fifty per cent. when compared with last year.

Brethren, let us see to it that during the next year the claims of the House are duly presented to all our people, and the sales, if possible, increased beyond those of any previous year.

We are glad that the Nashville *Christian Advocate* has increased its circulation nearly 20 per cent. over that of last year, and that other religious papers published in the interest of our Church have been liberally patronized by our people.

Your committee submit the following resolutions for your consideration:

1. *Resolved*, As preachers and laymen, we will use diligence in circulating our own publications, giving them preference to all others.
2. *Resolved*, That we recommend the Nashville *Christian Advocate*—"our Connectional Organ"—so ably edited by Dr. Summers, as a most excellent family newspaper, and will endeavor to increase its circulation within the boundaries of our Conference.
3. *Resolved*, That we regard the *Holston Methodist*—"our Home Organ"—as essential to our success, and will endeavor to develop its usefulness and make it what its editors and publishers desire it to become.
4. *Resolved*, That we are greatly pleased with our Sunday-School Literature, as edited by our own Dr. Cannyngham, and will make an effort to introduce the same into all our Sunday-Schools.
5. *Resolved*, That we heartily approve of the continued publication of the HOLSTON ANNUAL, as proposed by Rev. J. R. Payne, and will encourage him in the promotion of this desirable enterprise.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. KEITH,  
T. P. SUMMERS,  
L. L. K. CARLOCK.

## I.

### REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

*To the President and members of Holston Conference, M. E. Church, South:*

From the table of statistics appended to this report, your committee have collected the following facts, which may be of interest to the Conference:

The whole number of Sunday-School scholars, reported from the various charges, amounts to 22,516, being 720 less than the

number reported at the last session. This decrease may be accounted for by the fact that several circuits made no report, and others were incomplete. But in whatever way the deficiency may be explained, the fact stares us in the face that the number of our Sunday-School scholars does not keep pace with the increase of population; and although several thousand names have been added to the roll of the Church, the number of children in our Sunday-schools is but little more than fifty per cent. of the whole membership.

We find that forty charges take no *Visitors*; thirty-eight no *Magazines*; twenty-three no *Lesson Papers*; thirty-five no *Little People*, and sixteen have collected no money for missionary or Sunday-School purposes.

Brethren, these things ought not to be so. The Church has been at great expense in publishing a Sunday-School literature, well adapted to the wants of our schools and children, and has put at the head of this department a capable and godly man, taken from our own Conference, and yet, from so many charges there has been no response in the effort or means to circulate this literature among our young people.

We find, also, the following amounts collected on the different districts for Sunday-School and Missionary purposes:

ABINGDON DISTRICT.....	\$ 274.76
Largest collection, Emory circuit, 9 schools.....	\$ 75.00
Next largest collection, Abingdon station, 2 schools.....	65.00
ASHEVILLE DISTRICT.....	190.00
Largest collection, Asheville station, 1 school.....	92.00
ATHENS DISTRICT.....	178.80
Largest collection, Decatur circuit, 4 schools.....	56.00
CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.....	289.74
Largest collection, Chattanooga station, 2 schools.....	90.23
Next largest collection, South Chattanooga station, 1 school.....	85.28
FRANKLIN DISTRICT.....	104.50
Largest collection, Murphy circuit, 5 schools.....	28.00
JONESBORO' DISTRICT.....	125.15
Largest collection, Blountville circuit, 8 schools.....	35.00
Next largest collection, Jonesboro' station, 1 school.....	25.00
JEFFERSONVILLE DISTRICT.....	109.00
Largest collection, Pearisburg circuit, 13 schools.....	72.00
KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.....	922.37
Largest collection, Broad-st. station, 1 school.....	383.37
Next largest collection, Church-st. station, 1 school.....	300.00
MORRISTOWN DISTRICT.....	173.25
Largest collection, Mossy Creek station, 1 school.....	74.00
WYTHEVILLE DISTRICT.....	483.50
Largest collection, Wytheville circuit and station, 8 schools.....	200.00
SEQUATCHIE DISTRICT.....	143.35
Largest collection, Jasper station, 1 school.....	51.25
Total.....	\$ 2,994.35

The whole amount collected during the past year, by all the districts, is \$2,994.35, being \$273.33 more than the preceding Conference year. This increase, though small, is encouraging, as it indicates increasing liberality on the part of the Sunday-

Schools. "Train up a child in the way he should go," is a Divine command; and as this training includes all the elements that make up Christian character, the habit of giving to the cause of God must be formed in childhood. Children should be taught that it is not only a *duty*, but a *privilege*, to give; that it is a means of grace as essential to the cultivation of piety as prayer, or praise, or the study of the Scriptures. Our children should not only be made the almoners of our charities, but be taught the importance of self-sacrifice and self-denial in making and saving money for the treasury of the Lord. There is a feeling of satisfaction connected with this self-denying practice that not only elevates the character of the child, but generates within him the true principle of Christian benevolence, and makes him a cheerful giver. With such teaching and such training, we are assured by the Word of God that "when he is old he will not depart from it."

While the Sunday-School is intended to be an *auxiliary* to religious instruction *at home*, it should never be made a *substitute* for it. "Bring up *your* children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord," is an injunction addressed to *parents* only. While they are authorized to use the means and appliances which the Church or society may furnish for the religious training of their children, they can not shift their responsibility, or delegate their authority, in this important work, to the conscience, teaching or practice of any other person or persons. In some communities the Sunday-School has stimulated fathers and mothers to a more diligent performance of their duty in this respect, but in others it has been made a pretext for neglecting the religious instruction of the little ones at home. Parents should co-operate with teachers by studying the lessons with their children, by attending the Sunday-School with them whenever they can, by taking part in the religious exercises for which they are qualified, and in any other way in which they can manifest their interest in the importance and success of this great enterprise of the Church.

The Sunday-School should be used to cultivate the piety of the Church, by utilizing the talent, energy, influence and moral power of the laity. Many young men and women, after passing through a certain course of study in the Sunday-School, look upon themselves as too old, or too well informed to derive any further benefit from its teachings. This proceeds from a misconception of its dignity and purpose. The Bible is the great fountain of truth and knowledge, and all the learning and science and research of the past eighteen centuries have served to show the inexhaustible sources of its waters. Here the most ardent intellect that pants for knowledge, can slake its thirst in these refreshing streams. Let the departments of the school be so arranged as to employ the oldest as well as the youngest. Let young men and young women organize classes for mutual instruction, in which, if they can, bring together the results of

their own researches, and thus contribute to the common stock of information. If they can do nothing more, let them here learn to pray in public, to sing in public, to go out into the highways and hedges and bring in the children to the Sunday-School. These useful and holy pursuits will keep alive their own piety, and make their youthful energies contribute to the interests of the Church.

We recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, 1. That we will renew our efforts to increase the number of pupils in our Sunday-Schools, and to utilize the laity of the Church to a larger extent in promoting this great interest.

*Resolved*, 2. That we urge upon the superintendents and teachers the necessity and importance of using our Church literature in all of our Sunday-Schools as far as possible.

WARREN DUPRE,  
H. H. WEBB.

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## K.

### REPORT ON THE BIBLE CAUSE.

*To the President and members of Holston Conference, M. E. Church, South:*

The Committee on the Bible Cause beg leave to submit the following report:

Upon investigation, it is found that the American Bible Society is now publishing the Christian Scriptures in some seventy languages and dialects. It is publishing in these various tongues about a million volumes per annum thus opening these scriptures to some eight hundred millions of people. Since its organization in 1816 it has sent forth more than thirty-three millions of volumes in various languages, to enlighten the world and bring it to Christ

The Society commends itself to all denominations and sections as all its publications are without note or comment. It knows no section or country in its world-wide mission. It has made the Bible the cheapest book in the world, endeavoring thus to place it within the reach of all classes.

The Board of Missions of our own Church have made calls on the Society for supplies of Bibles for all our foreign missions and all these calls have been promptly and fully answered.

The Society, therefore, by its catholic spirit and work, commends itself to our confidence and support.

Your committee submit the following resolutions for adoption by the Conference:

1. *Resolved*, That we cordially welcome Rev. Dr. G. S. Savage, Superintendent of the American Bible Society for the District of Kentucky and East and Middle Tennessee; that we have heard with pleasure and approval his judicious and practical address delivered before the Conference, and that

we pledge to him our hearty sympathy, and as far as practicable, our earnest co-operation in his important work.

2. *Resolved*, That we will do all in our power to supply the destitution of the Scriptures that may be found in our respective charges.

3. *Resolved*, That we will preach an annual sermon bearing upon the cause, and take an annual collection in aid of its funds.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN L. BUCHANAN.  
J. H. TORBITT,  
D. A. CARPENTER.

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F.

## REPORT ON CHURCH PROPERTY.

*To the President and members of Holston Conference, M. E. Church, South:*

The Committee on Church Property respectfully report to this Conference the following:

Heretofore each annual report on Church property has shown an estimated value of the Church property within the bounds of the Holston Conference, which estimated value was based on the reports of the preachers from their respective charges, made to the particular Conference session, and independently of any former valuation, or nearly so. As a large number of the ministers are yearly changed in the fields of labor, therefore much of the property that has an estimated valuation placed upon it one year by one class of preachers, has a very different estimate placed upon it the following year by another class of pastors; thus showing an apparent change in valuation that is not real. To illustrate: In one district, by the report of the Church Property Committee of 1875, which was made from the reports of the preachers of that district, the churches and parsonages of that district had a valuation placed upon them. The reports of the preachers from that district to this session of the Conference, after deducting the amount expended during the year in building and repairing churches and parsonages show an increase in value of that kind of property of over \$10,000—that is, the same property, without repairing, is worth more by over \$10,000 in 1876 than it was in 1875. Of course the increase thus shown is not real, but only apparent.

Such a system of yearly valuation, your committee thinks, is radically wrong, for it yearly shows such an appreciation or depreciation in the value of our Church property as not only confounds those not of our Church, but really makes our official reports of the value of Church property inconsistent and unreliable.

Your committee, by a “new departure,” have sought to avoid, as far as possible, those increased or decreased valuations of

churches and parsonages which are only apparent and not real. To attain this end your committee took the valuation of the churches and parsonages as shown by the report of the Church Property Committee of 1875. That committee was an able and energetic one, with Dr. Wiley at its head. It had the very same means and resources of information for fixing the value of church property that this committee have had, and this committee can see no reason why the valuation of church property as shown by that committee, is not as reliable as any that can be fixed by this committee, and much more consistent than a present estimate that would show an apparent—not real—appreciation or depreciation in value of many thousands of dollars. Therefore, your committee have ignored the valuation of churches and parsonages shown by the reports of the preachers to this session, but take the money actually expended during the Conference year in building and repairing churches and parsonages as the more reliable measure of the real increase, in value, of that kind of property during the year. The increase thus shown approximates the real.

Your committee regret that the reports of the preachers, owing to the imperfect form of the blanks furnished them, fail to show how much of the money expended during the year was put into churches, and how much into parsonages, and in the absence of such information, your committee, *ex-necessitate*, must report together the increase in value of churches and parsonages. And, on account of the defects in the form of the printed blanks furnished our preachers, it does not appear how many new churches, nor how many parsonages were built during the year; but the numbers, new and old, are reported together, and the only way to ascertain the increase in the number of churches and parsonages is to compare the number reported in 1875 with the number reported in 1876. This would seem a reliable mode, but owing to a want of precision in reporting numbers in 1875, or incorrect reports in 1876, the result is most unsatisfactory; and your committee discards the increase in number thus shown, as wholly unreliable.

Your committee have learned of no churches having been destroyed by fire, wind or water, or otherwise, during the year, and, although over \$39,000 have been expended during the year in building and repairing churches and parsonages, and although new churches have gone up in almost every district, yet by comparing the number of churches reported in 1876, with the number reported in 1875, your committee find a decrease in a number of the districts, and in one district a decrease of eight churches; and the increase in bounds of the whole Conference for the year only one and a quarter of churches. Your committee can only report such facts as are elicited from the reports furnished by the preachers, and regret the unsatisfactory result reached. Your committee urge the importance of careful and



correct reports as to the number of churches on each circuit and station.

From the amount expended in building and repairing churches and parsonages during the year, from the published notices in our church papers of the erection and dedication of churches, and from other sources of information, your committee must believe that old Holston is advancing with commendable rapidity in acquiring houses for her preachers, and altars for her worshippers.

## WYTHEVILLE DISTRICT.

Number churches.....	61
Increase during the year in number of churches.....	7
Number parsonages.....	7
Increase during the year in parsonages.....	1
Number church sittings.....	19,400
Value of churches in 1875, \$60,700; of parsonages, \$6,800—total.....	\$ 67,500.00
Increase during year in value of churches and parsonages.....	9,775
Other property.....	1,975
Total church property in District.....	\$79,250.00

## JEFFERSONVILLE DISTRICT.

Number of churches.....	49
Number of parsonages.....	1
Number church sittings.....	17,450
Value of churches in 1875, \$28,400; of parsonages in 1875, \$1,000—total.....	\$ 29,400.00
Increase in value of churches and parsonages for the year.....	2,940.00
Value of other property.....	2,650.00
Total value of church property in District.....	\$ 34,990.00

## ABINGDON DISTRICT.

Number of churches.....	50
Decrease for the year in number of churches.....	1
Number of parsonages.....	4
Number of church sittings.....	23,780
Value of churches in 1875, \$30,050; of parsonages in 1875, \$6,900—total.....	\$ 36,950.00
Increase in value of churches and parsonages for the year.....	9,792.00
Other church property, exclusive of colleges.....	500.00
Total of all property in the District exclusive of college property..	\$ 47,242.00
College property—Martha Washington.....	30,000.00
Emory and Henry.....	105,000.00

Total church property in the District.....\$ 182,242.00

## JONESBORO' DISTRICT.

Number of churches.....	43
Decrease during the year in number of churches.....	2
Number of parsonages.....	4
Number of church sittings.....	11,600
Value of churches in 1875, \$32,340; of parsonages in 1875, \$3,200—total.....	\$ 35,540.00
Increase in value of churches and parsonages during the year.....	650.00
Value of other property.....	2,900.00

Total value of all church property in the District.....\$ 39,090.00

## MORRISTOWN DISTRICT.

Number of churches.....	61
Increase during the year in number of churches.....	2
Number of parsonages.....	6
Number of church sittings.....	17,300
Value of churches in 1875, \$33,700; of parsonages in 1875, \$3,900—total.....	\$ 37,600.00
Increase in value of churches and parsonages for the year.....	2,080.00
Value of all other church property in the District.....	3,850.00

Total value of all church property in the District.....\$ 43,530.00

## KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.

Number of churches.....	41
Decrease during the year in number of churches.....	4
Number of parsonages.....	1
Number of church sittings.....	14,000
Value of churches in 1875, \$41,450; of parsonages, \$900—total.....	\$ 42,350.00
Increase in value of churches and parsonages during the year.....	8,886.02
Value of all other church property in the District.....	3,600.00

Total value of all church property in the District.....\$ 54,836.02

## ATHENS DISTRICT.

Number of churches.....	38
Increase during the year in number of churches.....	6
Number of parsonages.....	2
Number of church sittings.....	13,400
Value of churches in 1875, \$23,900; of parsonages in 1875, \$1,000—total.....	\$ 25,000.00
Increase during the year in value of churches and parsonages.....	866.00
Value of other chr. property in the District, except college property...	4,200.00

Total value of all property in the District, except college property.\$ 30,066.00  
Value of Hiwassee College property..... 16,000.00

Total value of all church property in the District.....\$ 46,066.00

## CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.

Number of churches.....	20
Decrease during the year in number of churches.....	8
Number of parsonages.....	1
Increase during the year in parsonages.....	1
Number of church sittings.....	6,575
Value of churches in 1875, \$11,000; of parsonages, —;—total.....	\$ 41,000.00
Increase in value of churches and parsonages during the year.....	3,110.48
Value of all other church property in the District.....	375.00

Total value of all church property in the District.....\$ 44,485.48

## SEQUATCHIE DISTRICT.

Number of churches.....	19
Decrease during the year in the number of churches.....	4
Number of parsonages.....	2
Number of church sittings.....	7,100
Value of churches in 1875, \$24,500; of parsonages in 1875, \$1,050—total.....	\$ 25,550.00
Increase in value of churches and parsonages during the year.....	1,135.00
Value of all other church property in the District.....	400.00

Total value of all the church property in the District.....\$ 27,085.00

## ASHEVILLE DISTRICT.

Number of churches.....	36
Increase during the year in the number of churches.....	1
Number of parsonages.....	3
Increase during the year in parsonages.....	1
Number of church sittings.....	9,400
Value of churches in 1875, \$24,850; of parsonages in 1875, \$3,300—total.....\$	28,150.00
Increase in value of churches and parsonages during the year.....	360.00
Value of all other church property in the District.....	1,300.00
Total value of all church property in the District.....\$	29,810.00

## FRANKLIN DISTRICT.

Number of churches.....	30
Increase during the year in the number of churches.....	4
Number of parsonages.....	6
Number of church sittings.....	7,750
Value of churches in 1875, \$19,450; of parsonages in 1875, \$3,700—total.....\$	23,150.00
Increase in the value of churches and parsonages during the year.....	192.80
Value of all other church property in the District.....	1,500.00
Total value of all church property in the District.....\$	24,842.80
Number of churches in the Conference in 1875.....	458
Number of churches in the Conference in 1876.....	459
Increase during the year in churches.....	1
Number of parsonages in the Conference in 1875.....	34
Number of parsonages in the Conference in 1876.....*	37
Increase in the number of parsonages during the year.....	3
Number of church sittings.....	147,755
Value of churches and parsonages in 1875.....\$	392,140.00
Value of churches and parsonages in 1876.....	421,827.30
Increase in churches and parsonages during the year.....	39,687.30
Value of college property.....	151,000.00
Value of all other church property.....	23,350.00
Total value of the church property of all kinds within the bounds of the Holston Conference.....\$	596,077.30

Your committee respectfully suggest the adoption of the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, 1. That it shall be the duty of the preachers of circuits and stations, during the incoming year, to get the trustees of the church property within their respective charges to value said property, and that such valuation be reported to the next session of this Conference, and be taken as a basis of the valuation of church property by the Church Property Committee of the next Holston Annual Conference, and the valuation so reached is to remain as the valuation of such property for the next ensuing five years.

*Resolved*, 2. That for the five years next ensuing the Annual Conference of 1877, the preachers of circuits and stations will be required to report annually only the value of property acquired during the year, said valuation to be that fixed by the trustees of the property.

*Resolved*, 3. That hereafter the preachers of circuits and stations are required to report not only all the churches and parsonages in their respective charges, but to report separately the number of churches and parsonages erected during the year for which they report.

*Resolved*, 4. That the preachers of circuits and stations in their annual reports to the Conference, in reporting churches and parsonages, be required to show separately the expenditures on churches and on parsonages.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

E. C. REEVES, Chairman.

## H.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ORPHANS' HOME FOR THE CHILDREN OF DECEASED MINISTERS OF THE CONFERENCE.

*To the President and members of Holston Conference, M. E. Church, South:*

The committee to whom was referred the foregoing subject, having had the same under careful consideration, beg leave to submit the following report:

WHEREAS, We learn that the Rev. L. M. Pease, of Asheville, N. C., proposes to donate to the Holston Conference, M. E. Church, South, a valuable property near the town of Asheville, as a home for the orphan children of deceased ministers of the Conference; and,

WHEREAS, He proposes to erect, at his own cost, suitable buildings for such a home, furnishing ample rooms for accommodating as many as fifty or more children, school rooms, chapel, etc.; and,

WHEREAS, The avowed object of Rev. L. M. Pease in making said donation of buildings and land is to furnish a home for the comfortable abode, and the proper physical, intellectual and moral training and culture of the orphan children of our deceased ministers who may be left without adequate means, either to support or educate themselves; and,

WHEREAS, Such a home, judiciously managed, and affording a certain guaranty to our brethren living, toiling and dying in the work of the itinerant ministry, would relieve many a devoted herald of the Cross of painful and distracting anxieties as to the future of his orphan children when he is dead and gone; therefore,

*Resolved*, 1. That the members of the Holston Annual Conference receive with gladness and thankfulness the generous proposition of Rev. L. M. Pease to donate to the Conference such a home for our orphan children.

*Resolved*, 2. That the Conference do hereby appoint the following named brethren as a Board of Commissioners, to-wit: The Presiding Elder of Asheville District; the preacher in charge of Asheville Station; H. H. Webb, Col. A. T. Davidson and J. S. Kennedy, to confer with Rev. L. M. Pease touching the terms and conditions on which he may be willing to give and convey, to build and equip, and to superintend said Orphans' Home to and for the use and benefit of the Holston Annual Conference.

*Resolved*, 3. That said committee be, and they are hereby empowered, when they shall have made satisfactory arrangements with Rev. L. M. Pease concerning the foregoing proposition, to close the contract at once with him in due and legal form, and report their action to this body at its next session.

*Resolved*, 4. That in the event that said Board of Commissioners consummate satisfactorily this arrangement, we pledge ourselves as a Conference to turn over to the Superintendent of the Orphans' Home such proportion of the Conference Fund as shall be appropriated to the orphan children in the Home; and that we will use our influence to have as many of our orphan children as need be put in the Orphans' Home.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. S. KENNEDY,  
C. T. CARROLL,  
E. E. HOSS.

## A.

## REPORT OF JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

The Board of Finance beg leave to submit the following as their report :

1. Amount of salaries allowed the preachers.....	\$52,832.00
2. Amount paid on salaries.....	37,510.76
3. Amount of deficiencies on salaries.....	15,321.24
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4. Amount collected for Conference claimants on the several pastoral charges.....	1,117.47
5. Amount received of E. E. Wiley, Treasurer,— interest on note of Preachers' Aid Society....	38.67
6. Amount received of E. E. Wiley, Treasurer,— interest on Waugh Fund.....	24.00
7. Amount received of G. Taylor, Trustee,— interest on Ambrister Fund.....	181.50
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Whole amount of Conference Fund.....\$ 1,361.64

The Conference Fund was distributed among the several claimants, as follows :

## TO SUPERANNUATED PREACHERS.

To Timothy Sullins (per H. C. Neal).....	\$ 62.50
To W. B. Winton (per J. M. McTeer).....	136.30
To J. Haskew.....	15.00
To T. J. Pope (per J. N. Lotspiech).....	130.00
To Wm. Robeson (per H. C. Neal).....	42.00
To W. W. Neal (per H. C. Neal).....	80.00
To L. W. Crouch (per K. C. Atkins).....	22.50

## TO ORPHANS.

To J. R. Ballew's children (per J. A. Reagan).....	\$ 5.00
To T. K. Munsey's children (per G. D. French).....	62.50
To Miss Bettie Wagg (per B. F. Nucholls).....	5.00

## TO WIDOWS.

To Mrs. W. W. Smith (per J. B. Carnes).....	\$ 62.50
To Mrs. C. Mitchell (per J. Mahoney).....	62.50
To Mrs. W. Boring (per G. W. Callahan).....	62.50
To Mrs. E. K. Hutsell (per J. A. Reagan).....	5.00
To Mrs. E. A. Patton (per H. C. Neal).....	50.00
To Mrs. Goodykountz (per J. B. Carnes).....	45.00
To Mrs. Mary Fleming (per J. B. Carnes).....	22.50
To Mrs. R. M. Stevens (per J. C. Runyan).....	85.00
To Mrs. W. Keener (per W. W. Stringfield).....	100.00
To Mrs. O. F. Cunnyingham (per W. P. Doane).....	62.50

To Mrs. W. K. Foster (per Charles W. Carr).....	85.00
To Mrs. E. F. Lyons (per J. B. Carnes).....	40.00
To Mrs. S. Alexander (per D. C. Miller).....	25.00
To Mrs. G. W. Martin (per H. C. Neal).....	25.00
To Mrs. J. L. McGhee (per J. A. Bilderback).....	17.50
To Mrs. D. B. Carter (per C. T. Carroll).....	25.00
To Mrs. J. W. Dickey (per W. P. Doane).....	15.00
To Mrs. J. Reynolds (per J. A. Reagan).....	5.00
To Mrs. J. M. Crismond (per H. C. Neal).....	5.00

Total.....\$ 1,360.80

*Assessments for 1876-77.*

District.	Coference collection.	Bishops' Fund.	District.	Conference collection.	Bishops' Fund.
Wytheville.....	\$215.00	\$85.00	Athens.....	130.00	65.00
Jeffersonville...	140.00	65.00	Chattanooga.....	165.00	75.00
Abingdon.....	190.00	80.00	Sequatchie.....	65.00	40.00
Jonesboro'.....	140.00	65.00	Asheville.....	165.00	75.00
Morristown.....	200.00	80.00	Franklin.....	70.00	40.00
Knoxville.....	210.00	80.00			
Total.....				\$1,870.00	\$750.00

All of which is respectfully submitted,

H. C. NEAL, Chairman.

J. A. REAGAN, *Secretary*.

## REPORT OF SECRETARY BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The following appropriations were made by the Board for the year 1876-77, viz:

Wytheville District—

"	"	Floyd mission,	to P. C.	\$ 50.00—\$50.00
Jeffer'nville District—			to P. E.	\$ 75.00
"	"	Buchanan mission,	to P. C.	\$100.00
"	"	McDowell mission,	to P. C.	50.00
"	"	Bluestone and Flat Top mission,	to P. C.	100.00
				—————\$ 325.00

Abingdon District—

"	"	McClure mission,	to P. C.	\$100.00—\$100.00
Jonesboro' District—			to P. E.	50.00
"	"	Taylorsville mission,	to P. C.	100.00
"	"	Horse Creek mission,	to P. C.	100.00
				—————\$ 250.00

Morristown District—

"	"	Sneedville mission,	to P. C.	\$100.00—\$100.00
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Knoxville District—		
“	“ Knx'ville City miss'n, to P. C.	\$350.00—\$350.00
Athens District—		
“	“ Tellico mission, to P. C.	\$ 15.00
		100.00
		\$ 115.00
Chattanooga District—		
“	“ Lookout mission, to P. E.	\$ 25.00
“	“ Lookout mission, to P. C.	100.00
“	“ Sale Creek mission, to P. C.	75.00
		\$200.00
Sequatchie District—		
“	“ Obed River mission, to P. E.	\$175.00
“	“ Bonair mission, to P. C.	75.00
“	“ Bonair mission, to P. C.	50.00
“	“ Spencer mission, to P. C.	75.00
“	“ Mountain mission, to P. C.	75.00
“	“ Cove mission, to P. C.	100.00
“	“ Clinch River mission, to P. C.	75.00
		\$ 625.00
Asheville District—		
“	“ Pine Creek mission, to P. C.	\$ 75.00
“	“ Laurel mission, to P. C.	100.00
		\$ 175.00
Franklin District.		
“	“ Robinsville mission, to P. E.	\$100.00
“	“ Robinsville mission, to P. C.	75.00
“	“ Mine City mission, to P. C.	75.00
		\$ 250.00

Whole amount of appropriations..... \$2,540.00

The following assessments were made for the year 1876-77 :

District.	Home Mis- sions.	Foreign Missions.	District.	Home Mis- sions.	Foreign Missions.
Wytheville.....	\$500.00	\$360.00	Athens.....	300.00	250.00
Jeffersonville....	330.00	230.00	Chattanooga....	350.00	275.00
Abingdon.....	450.00	340.00	Sequatchie.....	165.00	125.00
Jonesboro'.....	350.00	250.00	Asheville.....	330.00	275.00
Morristown.....	400.00	295.00	Franklin.....	250.00	175.00
Knoxville.....	440.00	325.00			
Total.....				\$3,865.00	\$2,900.00

L. L. H. CARLOCK,  
*Secretary Board of Missions.*

NOTE.—In the report of Appropriations, the totals for Districts and the whole amount of the appropriations are inserted by the Editor.



## REPORT OF TREASURER BOARD OF MISSIONS.

J. S. BURNETT, Treasurer, in account with Holston Conference  
Board of Missions for the year 1875-76.

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## RECAPITULATION.

## Domestic. Foreign.

To amount from Dr. Cunningham, balance in treasury.....	\$27.23	
To amount from Wytheville District.....	392.99	\$198.47
To amount from Jeffersonville District.....	96.00	80.85
To amount from Abingdon District.....	375.27	255.80
To amount from Jonesboro' District.....	151.25	108.61
To amount from Morristown District.....	254.35	171.50
To amount from Knoxville District.....	366.95	217.94
To amount from Athens District.....	171.10	97.40
To amount from Chattanooga District.....	161.05	103.16
To amount from Sequatchie District.....	126.70	69.28
To amount from Asheville District.....	195.05	59.22
To amount from Franklin District.....	61.55	36.70
Anniversary collection at Bristol, Oct. 21, equally divided.....	119.62	119.62
Grand total.....	2,499.11	1,518.55
Aggregate collections for Domestic and Foreign Missions during the year 1875-76.....		\$4,017.56

## CR.

By amount paid out on Domestic Missions, Drafts of 1874-75, as follows, viz:

By A. J. Frazier, amount balance due Asheville District.....	\$100.00	
By G. Taylor, amount balance due Jonesboro' District.....	84.00	
By J. W. Bowman, amount balance due Franklin District.....	70.00	
By J. Boring, amount balance due Morristown District.....	35.00	
By G. W. Miles, amount balance due Wytheville District.....	28.00	
By G. W. Miles, amount balance due Abingdon District.....	37.50	
By S. R. Wheeler, amount balance due Sequatchie District.....	195.00	
By C. Long, amount balance due Knoxville District.....	25.00	
By J. M. McTeer, amount balance due Chattanooga District.....	56.00	
By J. M. McTeer, amount balance due Athens District.....	49.00	
By George Stuart, amount balance due Jeffersonville District.....	84.00	
By C. Long, for J. R. Long for work on Echota mission.....	100.00	
		\$863.50
By B. F. Nichols, on draft for 1875-76.....	43.00	
By T. F. Smith, P. E. Jeffersonville District, 1875-76.....	43.00	
By J. T. Stover, Flat Top mission, 1875-76.....	58.00	
By P. P. Kinser, McDowell mission, 1875-76.....	58.00	
By E. S. Shelly, Mountain Creek mission, 1875-76.....	34.00	
By I. N. Boyd, McClure mission, 1875-76.....	72.00	
By F. N. Atkin, Taylorsville mission, 1875-76.....	72.00	
By G. R. Crumley, Horse Creek mission, 1875-76.....	72.00	
By J. D. Baldwin, Sneedville mission, 1875-76.....	72.00	
By W. H. Bates, Knoxville City mission, 1875-76.....	203.00	
By G. Taylor, P. E. Athens District, 1875-76.....	20.00	
By S. T. M. McPherson, Tellico mission, 1875-76.....	52.00	
By George Stuart, P. E. Jonesboro' District, 1875-76.....	29.00	
By J. M. McTeer, Chattanooga District, 1875-76.....	43.00	
By A. T. Brooks, Ocoee mission, 1875-76.....	72.00	
By J. W. Smith, Chattanooga City mission, 1875-76.....	89.00	
By W. S. Jordan, Lookout mission, 1875-76.....	43.00	
By S. R. Wheeler, Sequatchie District, 1875-76.....	101.00	

By J. V. Brown, Wartburg mission, 1875-76.....	\$43.00
By R. J. Only, Cove mission, 1875-76.....	72.00
By R. M. Standifer, Mountain mission, 1875-76.....	43.00
By C. M. James, Spencer mission, 1875-76.....	43.00
By J. O. Shelly, Bonair mission, 1875-76.....	29.00
By A. J. Frazier, P. E. Asheville District, 1875-76.....	14.00
By J. P. Reynolds, Pine Creek mission, 1875-76.....	43.00
By J. W. Bowman, P. E. Franklin District, transferred his draft for \$100 to W. J. Phillips.....	
By C. B. Fugate, Casher's Valley mission, 1875-76.....	43.00
By B. G. Wild, Robinsville mission, 1875-76.....	43.00
By W. J. Phillips, Mine City mission, 1875-76.....	87.00
By stationery, postage, &c., &c.....	5.00
By amount lost by counterfeit money.....	50
Total.....	<u>\$1,641.50</u>
	2,505.00
By balance due Treasurer on foregoing account of Domestic Missions.....	\$5.89
By amount sent A. H. Redford for Foreign Missions.....	1,512.66
Total.....	<u>1,518.55</u>

J. S. RURNETT, Treasurer.

The following sums are still due and unpaid on drafts for 1875-76, viz:

To B. F. Nuehois, Carroil mission.....	\$32.00
To T. F. Smith, P. E. Jeffersonville District.....	32.00
To J. T. Stover, Flat Top mission.....	42.00
To P. P. Kinser, McDowell mission.....	42.00
To E. S. Shelley, Mountain Creek mission.....	26.00
To I. N. Boyd, McClure mission.....	53.00
To F. N. Atkin, Taylorsville mission.....	53.00
To F. D. Crumley, Horse Creek mission.....	53.00
To J. D. Baldwin, Sneedville mission.....	53.00
To W. H. Bates, Knoxville City mission.....	147.00
To G. Taylor, P. E. Athens District.....	15.00
To S. T. M. McPherson, Tellico mission.....	38.00
To George Stuart, P. E. Jonesboro' District.....	21.00
To J. M. McTeer, P. E. Chattanooga District.....	32.00
To A. T. Brooks, Ocoee mission.....	53.00
To J. W. Smith, Chattanooga City mission.....	66.00
To W. S. Jordan, Lookout mission.....	32.00
To S. R. Wheeler, P. E. Sequatchie District.....	74.00
To J. V. Brown, Wartburg mission.....	32.00
To R. J. Only, Cove mission.....	53.00
To R. M. Standifer, Mountain Creek mission.....	32.00
To C. M. James, Spencer mission.....	32.00
To J. O. Shelly, Bonair mission.....	21.00
To A. J. Frazier, P. E. Asheville District.....	11.00
To J. P. Reynolds, Pine Creek mission.....	32.00
To C. B. Fugate, Casher's Valley mission.....	32.00
To B. G. Wild, Robinsville mission.....	32.00
To W. J. Phillips, Mine City mission.....	63.00
	<u>\$1,204.00</u>

## Statistics of Churches and Sunday-Schools, 1876.

Pastoral charges.	Local Preachers.	Members.		Baptisms.		Sunday-Schools.		
		White.	Colored.	Adults.	Infants.	No.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.
WYTHEVILLE DISTRICT—								
Wytheville sta. and ct.....	6	950		73	64	8	82	600
Marion circuit.....	6	1046		50	30	9	55	600
Leadmines circuit.....	4	443		28	30	9	77	375
Newbern circuit.....	2	357		21	6	6	60	275
New Hope & Jacksonville ct.....	6	431		25	6	6	25	300
Hillsville circuit.....	11	625		130	7	11	77	449
Carroll mission.....	1	73		34				
Elk Creek circuit.....	3	1116		150	75	11	75	900
Independence circuit.....	8	672	1	86	27	12	71	577
Jefferson circuit.....	5	415		13	21	8	20	320
Watauga circuit.....	6	584	12	31	15	7	26	260
Total.....	58	6712	13	641	281	87	568	4658
JEFFERSONVILLE DISTRICT—								
Jeffersonville station.....		315		10	10	4	38	225
Liberty Hill circuit.....	6	564	2	44	46	14	125	570
East Tazewell circuit.....	15	840	5	15	32	16	114	840
Pearisburg circuit.....	4	793		35	40	13	57	432
Seddon circuit.....	8	729		7	8	10	67	351
Princeton circuit.....	10	570		12	8			
Buchanan circuit.....	1	367	1	11	6	8	37	193
McDowell mission.....	1	315		75	18	3	25	170
Bluestone and Flat Top mis....		260		29	3	7	36	217
Total.....	45	4753	8	233	171	75	499	2998
ABINGDON DISTRICT—								
Abingdon station.....		146		5	6	2	16	160
Abingdon circuit.....	5	528		43	8	8	48	373
Emory and Saltville circuit....	1	650		114	27	9	50	400
Rich Valley circuit.....	3	594		21	14	7	35	394
Bristol station.....	3	274	7	14	15	1	13	150
Bristol circuit.....	3	469	4	11	26	6	30	452
Lebanon circuit.....	6	664		28	3	6	45	500
Dickinsonville circuit.....	4	605	2	53	21	8	58	260
Estillville circuit.....	2	597	3	4	9	5	30	220
Gladeville circuit.....	7	495	1	5	10	7	54	283
McClure mission.....	1	110						
Total.....	35	5132	17	298	139	59	379	3192
JONESBORO' DISTRICT—								
Jonesboro station.....		126		4	9	1	15	108
Jonesboro circuit.....		240		20	6	2	12	70
Blountville circuit.....	5	780	1	34	25	8	58	320
Rheatown circuit.....	5	229		3	13	3	24	137
Johnson City station.....		65	1	2	5	1	10	87
Greeneville circuit.....	2	276		4	18			
St. Clair circuit.....	2	366				2	20	125
Newport circuit.....	1	328		25	25	2	15	100
Fall Branch circuit.....	1	290		30	8	2	12	50
Elizabethton & Taylorsville ct		80			1			
Total.....	16	2780	2	122	110	23	166	997

Pastoral charges.	Local Preachers.	Members.		Baptisms.		Sunday-Schools.		
		White.	Colored.	Adults.	Infants.	No.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.
MORRISTOWN DISTRICT—								
Morristown station.....	2	278		26	10	1	21	175
Morristown circuit.....	4	344	1	12	9	2	14	125
Mossy Creek station.....	1	136		19	9	1	10	127
Rogersville circuit.....	2	265		15	5	6	50	200
Kingsport circuit.....	7	384		27	16	7	45	175
Rye Cove circuit.....	3	560	3	20	3	10	80	275
Jonesville circuit.....	4	663		16	14	7	45	475
Powell's Valley circuit.....	7	600	21	42	17	9	55	327
Tazewell circuit.....	2	272	1	4	1			
Sneedville mission.....	2	200		3	4	3	18	90
Rutledge circuit.....	3	316		10	8	4	20	200
Total.....	37	4018	26	194	96	50	358	2179
KNOXVILLE DISTRICT—								
Knoxville, Church-st. station.....	4	293		8	5	1	25	175
Knoxville, City mission.....		75		5	3	2	16	130
Knoxville, Broad-st. station.....	1	251		11	8	1	22	255
Knox and Lenoir circuit.....	2	403		25	6	1	7	80
Maryville and Louisville ct.....	1	278		26	23	3	22	150
Clinton circuit.....	4	460	1	36	24	4	25	150
Maynardville circuit.....	2	441	1	32	5	3	10	120
Jacksboro circuit.....	2	376		6	2	4	38	360
Dandridge station.....	1	105		23	5	1	9	80
Strawberry Plains circuit.....	1	450	1	19	25	5	25	240
Sevierville circuit.....	2	200		5	2			
Total.....	20	3332	3	196	108	25	199	1740
ATHENS DISTRICT—								
Athens station.....		132		1		1	6	70
Athens circuit.....	4	429		21	3	3	18	120
Riceville circuit.....	4	295		18	7	4	25	185
Decatur circuit.....	3	476		14	24	4	34	249
Sweetwater circuit.....	1	287		29	6			
Philadelphia & Loudon ct.....	1	340		22	27	3	22	260
Unitia & Morganton circuit.....	2	195	1	2	18	1	5	80
Madisonville circuit.....	4	347		26	5	4	38	303
Eleazer and Tellico mission.....	4	296	2	17	7	3	12	100
Total.....	23	2797	3	150	97	23	160	1367
CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT—								
Chattanooga station.....	1	250		12	3	2	26	230
South Chattanooga station.....	2	215		25	20	1	15	225
Lookout mission.....	1	170		10	6	6	28	140
Cleveland station.....		168		1	8	1	12	125
Cleveland circuit.....		170	2	1		2	16	115
Charleston station.....		290		5	1	3	25	130
Benton ct. and Ocoee mission.....		190		5	6	4	15	100
Ooitewah circuit.....	3	294		70	34	3	23	160
Hamilton circuit.....	1	180		9	2	3	15	80
Trenton circuit.....	7	788		80	32	4	28	140
Total.....	15	2715	2	218	112	29	203	1445
SEQUATCHIE DISTRICT—								
Jasper station.....		104		1	1	1	15	108
Jasper circuit.....	4	350		9	7	1	8	40
Pikeville circuit.....		190	1	12	15	1	7	30
Washington circuit.....	5	268		9	15	2	10	56
Kingston circuit.....	1	458	2	30	11	4	20	200
Jamestown ct. & Wartb'rg ms..		148		34	5			
Crossville ct. & Bonair miss'n.	5	197		14	10	4	31	120
Spencer mission.....		95		8				
Shiloh ct. & Altamont miss'n.	3	200		12	7	2	7	49
Tracy City station.....		72		1				
Summerfield circuit.....	1	193	1		8	3	16	82
Total.....	19	2280	4	130	79	18	114	685

Pastoral charges.	Local Preachers.	Members.			Baptisms.		Sunday-Schools.		
		White.	Colored.	Indians.	Adults.	Infants.	No.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.
ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—									
Asheville station.....	1	165		6	10	1	16		130
Weaverville circuit.....	7	720		22	11	4	23		265
Sulphur Springs circuit.....	3	618		15	12	8	40		300
Brevard circuit.....	1	395		15	12	1	12		100
Hendersonville circuit.....		330		6	1	6	30		161
Catawba circuit.....	1	434	1	8	31	3	22		140
Burnsville circuit.....	4	296		2	9	2	10		90
Bakersville circuit.....	2	294		4	4	3	19		150
Marshall et. & Pine Crk. mis..	1	312	1	4	4	8	25		295
Total.....	20	3564	2	82	94	36	197		1591
FRANKLIN DISTRICT—									
Franklin circuit.....	6	649			1	25	8	32	350
Waynesville circuit.....	2	828			42	44	11	53	496
Webster circuit.....	1	366							
Hayesville circuit.....	4	317			3	10	4	15	130
Ducktown sta. & Mine cty mi	1	175			12	1	2	16	140
Murphy circuit.....	2	320			20	11	5	25	200
Cashier's Valley mission.....		94			4		4	10	75
Robinsville mission.....	1	148							
Echota (Indian) mission.....	3	6		204	18	14	2	8	200
Total.....	20	2903		204	100	105	36	159	1591

## RECAPITULATION.

Pastoral charges.	Local Preachers.	Members.			Baptisms.		Sunday-Schools.		
		White.	Colored.	Indians.	Adults.	Infants.	No.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.
Wytheville District.....	58	6712	13		641	281	87	568	4656
Jeffersonville District.....	45	4753	8		238	171	75	499	2996
Abingdon District.....	35	5132	17		298	139	59	379	3192
Jonesboro' District.....	16	2780	2		122	110	23	166	997
Morristown District.....	37	4018	26		194	96	50	358	2179
Knoxville District.....	20	3332	3		196	108	25	199	1740
Athens District.....	23	2797	3		150	97	23	160	1367
Chattanooga District.....	15	2715	2		218	112	29	203	1445
Sequatchie District.....	19	2280	4		130	79	18	114	685
Asheville District.....	20	3564	2		82	94	36	197	1591
Franklin District.....	20	2903		204	100	105	36	159	1591
<b>Grand Total.....</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>40,966</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>2369</b>	<b>1382</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>3002</b>	<b>22,441</b>

## Financial Exhibit of Salaries and Benevolent Collections.

Names of Pastoral charges.	Salaries of Ministers.		Amount of Conference collection.	Collections for Missions.		
	Allowed.	Paid.		Home.	Foreign.	Amount.
Wytheville district.....	\$1000 00	\$731 76				
Wytheville sta. & cir..	800 00	661 25	\$50 00	77 50	46 50	124 00
Marion.....	900 00	723 11	30 50	62 00	32 00	94 00
Leadmines.....	600 00	550 00	25 00	100 00	30 00	130 00
Newbern.....	675 00	488 10	30 00	50 00	26 30	76 30
N. Hope & Jacksonv'l	325 00	304 25	15 00	20 00	15 00	35 00
Hillsville.....	375 00	250 63	2 00	11 75	8 25	20 00
Carroll mission.....	No	report.				
Elk Creek.....	400 00	300 00	5 00	5 00	2 05	7 05
Independence.....	450 00	367 42	23 60	40 00	20 00	60 00
Jefferson.....	320 00	194 12	7 35	16 74	8 37	25 11
Watauga.....	385 00	175 00		10 00	10 00	20 00
Total.....	6,230 00	4,745 64	188 45	392 99	198 47	591 46
Jeffersonville district..	525 00	300 00				
Jeffersonville station..	500 00	463 00	10 00	15 00	5 00	20 00
Liberty Hill.....	425 00	234 08	8 00	15 00	10 00	25 00
East Tazewell.....	400 00	193 17	5 75	12 00	10 00	22 00
Pearisburg.....	700 00	416 94	30 00	35 00	50 00	85 00
Seddon.....	500 00	194 71	2 00	7 00		7 00
Princeton.....	200 00			5 00		5 00
Buchanan.....	97 00	97 00				
McDowell mission.....	40 00					
Bluest'ne & Fit Top in	200 00	67 35	5 00	7 00	5 85	12 85
Total.....	3,547 00	2,006 25	60 75	96 00	80 85	176 85
Abingdon district.....	800 00	507 71				
Abingdon station.....	500 00	500 00	20 00	115 77	89 00	204 77
Abingdon circuit.....	500 00	320 20	17 30	25 00	18 00	43 00
Emory and Saltville...	700 00	481 54	26 65	62 25	65 00	127 25
Rich Valley.....	400 00	278 88	13 00	40 00	30 00	70 00
Bristol station.....	600 00	600 00	17 00	34 50	5 00	39 50
Bristol circuit.....	300 00	168 90	12 75	7 00	5 00	12 00
Lebanon.....	600 00	450 00	20 00	40 00	10 00	50 00
Dickinsonville.....	400 00	375 24	10 00	40 25	20 00	60 25
Estillville.....	530 00	254 43	6 15	8 50	7 55	16 05
Gladeville.....	250 00	136 00		2 00	1 25	3 25
From an unknown contributor*.....					5 00	
Total.....	5,580 00	4,072 90	142 85	\$375 27	\$255 80	\$631 07
Jonesboro' district.....	700 00	456 00				
Jonesboro' station.....	485 00	488 00	17 85	44 15	40 36	84 51
Jonesboro' circuit.....	387 00	262 65	5 85	5 55	10 00	15 55
Blountville circuit.....	650 00	444 86	10 25	11 60	10 25	21 85
Rheatown circuit.....	500 00	383 87	21 65	50 00	30 00	80 00
Johnson City station...	250 00	165 00	2 00	10 00	4 00	14 00
Greeneville circuit.....	500 00	323 00	1 35	9 00	11 00	20 00
St. Clair circuit.....	500 00	162 00		2 00	2 00	4 00
Newport circuit.....	400 00	240 00	7 95	15 00	1 00	16 00
Fall Branch circuit.....	300 00	220 00		3 95		3 95
Elizabethton circuit...	No	report.				
Total.....	4,672 00	3,150 38	66 90	151 25	108 61	259 86
Morristown district.....	835 00	600 00				
Morristown station.....	700 00	448 53	11 05	43 50	30 00	73 50
Morristown circuit.....	400 00	243 30	14 10	20 00	10 00	30 00
Mossy Creek station...	300 00	300 00	21 50	46 85	30 00	76 85

Names of Pastoral charges.	Salaries of Ministers.		Amount of Conference collection.	Collections for Missions.		
	Allowed.	Paid.		Home.	Foreign.	Amount.
Rogersville circuit.....	\$275 00	\$200 00	\$15 00	\$15 00	\$15 00	\$30 00
Kingsport.....	600 00	366 00	7 00	15 00	8 00	23 00
Rye Cove.....	365 00	273 00	9 00	20 00	10 00	30 00
Jonesville.....	625 00	466 24	15 00	25 00	25 00	50 00
Powell's Valley.....	500 00	353 97	14 70	24 00	15 00	39 00
Tazewell.....	200 00	146 00	1 00	10 00	8 50	18 50
Sneedville mission.....	250 00	44 00	50			
Rutledge.....	425 00	285 00	15 00	35 00	20 00	55 00
Total.....	5,475 00	3,726 04	123 85	254 35	171 50	425 85
Knoxville district.....	1000 00	696 32				
Knoxville Chr-st sta.....	1200 00	1200 00	40 00	88 00	55 00	143 00
Knoxville City miss'n	800 00	550 00				
Knoxville Brd-st sta.....	1000 00	1000 00	30 00	72 50	55 00	127 50
Knox & Lenoir circuit	555 00	301 17	13 90	28 30	20 15	48 45
Maryville & Louisville	400 00	300 00	13 35	22 75	17 44	40 19
Clinton.....	460 00	303 00	5 00	20 00	5 00	25 00
Maynardville.....	250 00	135 00	2 00	20 00		20 00
Jacksboro.....	600 00	310 00	22 00	50 00	25 15	75 15
Dandridge.....	400 00	209 50	3 25	6 10	4 00	10 10
Strawberry Plains.....	500 00	405 71	25 00	45 00	30 00	75 00
Sevierville.....	400 00	288 00	3 00	9 30	6 20	15 50
From Mrs. Nancy Stevens, Louisville, T.				5 00		
Total.....	6,565 00	5,898 70	157 50	366 95	217 94	584 80
Athens district.....	800 00	588 56				
Athens station.....	300 00	233 15	10 00	14 00	3 65	17 65
Athens circuit.....	400 00	196 17	3 55	17 25		17 25
Riceville circuit.....	250 00	135 80	2 00	4 00	6 00	10 00
Decatur.....	500 00	475 00	30 00	30 60	20 40	51 00
Sweetwater.....	600 00	404 43	15 40	13 20	15 05	28 25
Philadelphia & Loudon..	600 00	545 50	12 50	30 60	20 00	50 60
Unitia & Morganton.....	275 00	180 35	60	36 45	11 00	47 45
Madisonville.....	500 00	420 75	5 70	15 00	17 00	32 00
Eleazer and Tellico.....	200 00	95 97	2 50	10 00	4 30	14 30
Total.....	4,425 00	3,235 58	82 25	171 10	97 40	278 50
Chattanooga district...	800 00	638 00				
Chattanooga station.....	1000 00	596 73	28 50	33 30	24 96	58 26
So. Chattanooga sta.....	400 00	410 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	15 00
Lookout mission.....	23 00	23 00	8 00			
Cleveland station.....	600 00	475 00	22 00	36 50	31 00	67 50
Cleveland circuit.....	350 00	141 70	3 05	4 75		4 75
Charleston station.....	400 00	221 50	4 00	4 00	2 00	6 00
Benton and Ocoee.....	200 00	78 48	3 50	7 00	3 00	10 00
Ooltewah.....	200 00	200 00	8 00	22 00	12 00	34 00
Hamilton circuit.....	200 00	189 58	12 00	26 50	20 20	46 70
Trenton.....	650 00			17 00	5 00	22 00
Total.....	4,723 00	2,973 99	99 05	161 05	103 16	264 21
Squatchie district.....	600 00	368 23				
Jasper station.....	400 00	463 50	6 50	10 00	15 25	25 25
Jasper circuit.....	350 00	229 81	4 00	12 00	5 00	17 00
Pikeville circuit.....	350 00	212 27	12 00	25 00	8 00	33 00
Washington circuit.....	400 00	213 77	10 00	26 00		26 00
Kingston circuit.....	550 00	409 75	20 00	40 00	35 08	75 08
Jamestown circuit.....	150 00	58 90	1 35	2 00		2 00
Crossville circuit.....	150 00	60 36	6 00	6 70		6 70
Spencer mission.....	175 00	97 00	2 00			
Shiloh circuit.....	150 00	36 05				
Tracy City station.....	400 00	400 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	10 00
Summerfield circuit...	200 00	100 00	1 00		1 00	1 00
Total.....	3,875 00	2,649 64	67 85	126 70	69 28	195 98



Names of Pastoral charges.	Salaries of Ministers.		Amount of Conference collection.	Collections for Missions.		
	Allowed.	Paid.		Home.	Foreign.	Amount.
Asheville district.....	\$800 00	\$600 00				
Asheville station.....	800 00	750 00	\$30 00	\$28 00	\$8 00	\$36 00
Weaverville circuit.....	500 00	267 70	11 00	35 00	19 00	54 00
Sulphur Sprs. circuit...	450 00	316 00	13 00	40 00		40 00
Brevard.....	400 00	346 00	14 95	28 10	3 91	32 00
Hendersonville.....	225 00	152 55	10 00	24 10		24 10
Catawba.....	500 00	267 80	2 00	4 05	5 00	9 05
Burnesville.....	225 00	103 00	5 82	11 50	7 36	18 86
Bakersville.....	400 00	253 69	4 10	9 30	5 95	15 25
Marshall & Pine Crk....	150 00	95 00	10 00	15 00	10 00	25 00
Total.....	4,450 00	3,156 74	100 87	195 05	59 22	254 27
Franklin district.....	600 00	398 57				
Franklin circuit.....	540 00	353 47	15 00	25 00	19 00	44 00
Waynesville circuit.....	625 00	358 46	10 00	20 55	6 70	27 25
Webster circuit.....	300 00	142 50				
Hayesville circuit.....	300 00	132 48	2 15	9 00	9 25	18 25
Ducktown station.....	300 00	300 00		5 00		5 00
Murphy circuit.....	300 00	185 00		2 00		2 00
Cashier's Valley mis'n	No	report.				
Robinsville mission....	150 00	135 00				
Echota (Indian) mis'n	400 00	400 00			1 75	1 75
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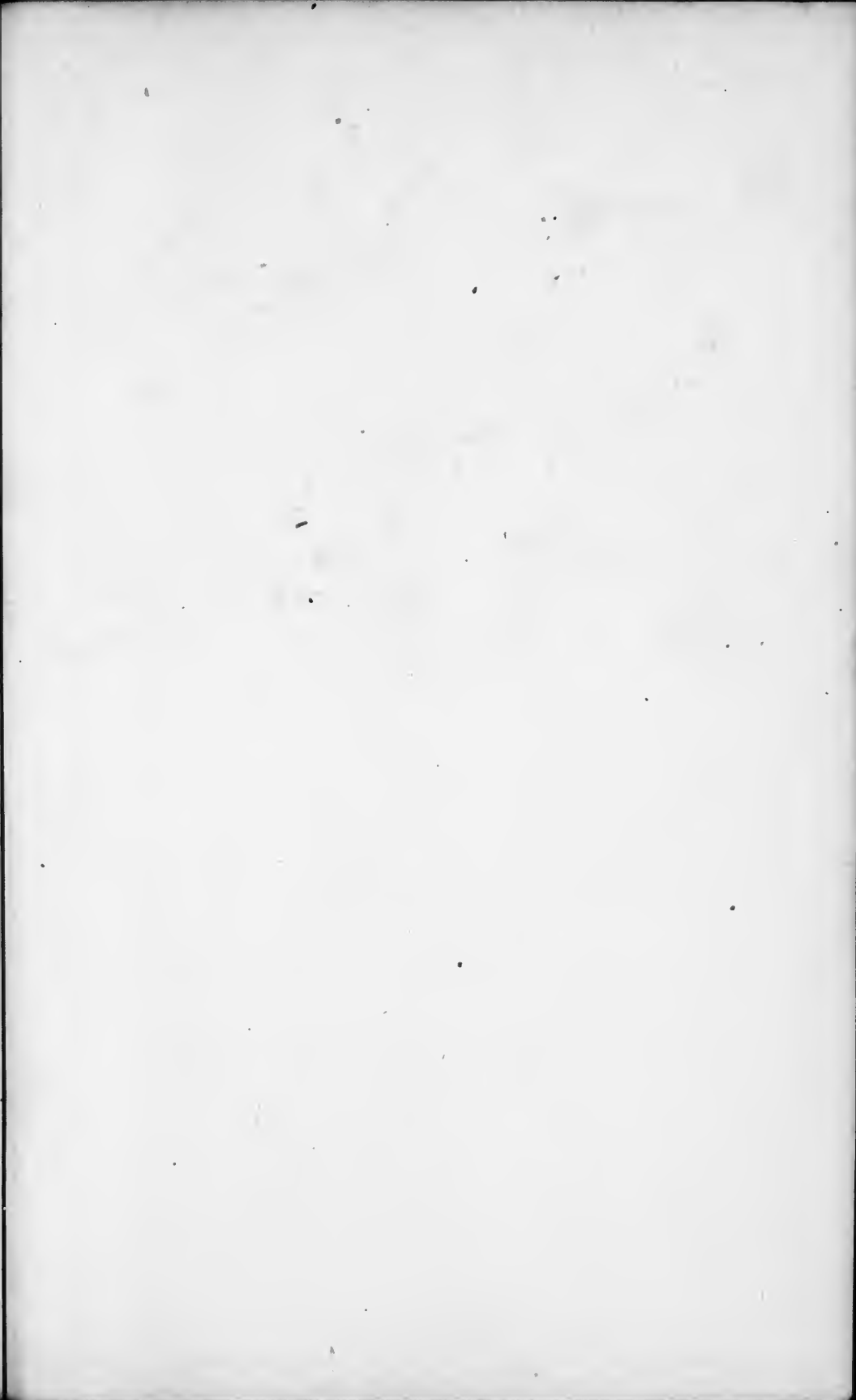
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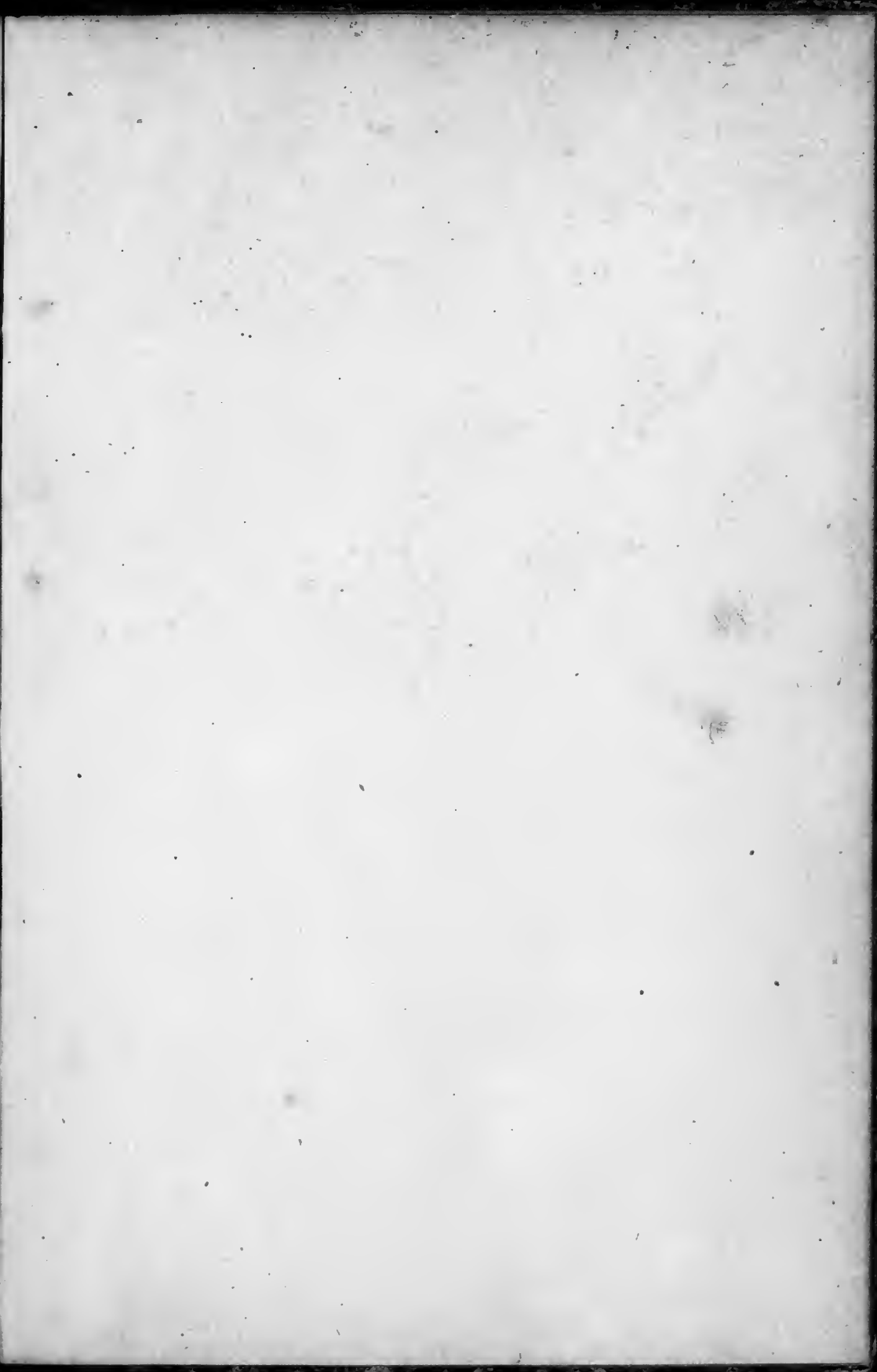








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